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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.February,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude.(Secretary).

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The Eastern Command Military Band would play this Sunday, 8th.February, in Vaucluse Park from 2.30 to 4.p.m.

(ii) Sgt.Coates had been very co-operative in policing the Hospital Road on Sundays and, as a result, the double parking of cars which interferred with the vehicular traffic to Tresillian Hospital had been cleared. On the last Sunday very little car parking had taken place on the road.

(iii) The Secretary had received £17.10.0 for the sale of Victa Mower.

(iv) Mr.Keegan of the Conservatorium had a piano which may be suitable to the Trust and the price would be known during the coming week. The meeting agreed to leave the matter to the discretion of the President.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from:-

(i) Mrs.Purdey, Shepparton,Victoria, offering the Trust a souvenir Jug of the centenary of the crossing of the Blue Mountains by Wentworth,Blaxland and Lawson. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was agreed to accept the jug.

(ii) Mr.Mollenhauer,Pokolbin,N.S.W.,offering bricks from early vineyard homesteads in the Hunter Valley. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Snelling, it was resolved to accept the offer and Mr.Parkes suggested that the display of bricks in the coachhouse could be rearranged to better advantage. This matter was left in the hands of Mr.Parkes.

(iii) Mr.J.A.Messenger, 547 Old South Head Road,Rose Bay, advising the Trust that Miss E.Forsyth wished to bequeath a bedroom Suite which belonged to the Wentworth family and that, if the Trust were interested, suggesting an inspection be made. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was decided that Mr.Parkes make an inspection and report to the Trust,

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(iv) Kay-Gee Enterprises regarding carnival machines at Nielsen Park. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Miller, the Secretary was instructed to inform the Director, that, as it had always been the policy of the Trust to disallow commercialised undertakings in Nielsen Park, it adhered to the terms of its earlier letter.

(v) Australian Broadcasting Commission regarding concerts in Vaucluse Park. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Snelling, it was resolved that Mr.Mills approach Mr.Moses again to ascertain whether Vaucluse Park was considered unsuitable for concerts or whether the Commission had any other purpose in mind.

(vi) Gas Employees Picnic Committee regarding future picnics at Nielsen Park. On the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was decided to advise the Union that the Trust appreciated its interest and would be glad to receive the support of the Union and of other Unions and the public in providing sufficient funds to place the wharf in good order. However, the Trust was not prepared to approach the Government with a request that the Government find the large amount necessary to make the wharf suitable for large ferries. If the Union has any other suggestion in this regard the Trust will be glad to consider it.

(vii) Reverend Guiness, St.Michael's Church,Vaucluse, asking permission to conduct an open air Sunday School in Nielsen Park. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was decided that Mr.Mills interview Mr,Guiness and while assuring him that the Trust had no objection to his using Nielsen Park, either Vaucluse cottage paddock or the Beach Reserve might be better suited to his purpose.

NERAL BUSINESS. The question of not allowing photos to be taken in Vaucluse House was discussed and it was decided to leave it to the Secretary, at her discretion, to permit photographers, other than commercial photographers, to take pictures of the House's interior.

ECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/1/59 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since November meeting to the amount of £1924.12.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1091.7.7/ in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

THER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(1) The Woollahra Council engineer had made an inspecti of Bottle and Glass with a view to ascertaining whether a car park could be made of this area. He estimated the cost at £3000 but would make a further survey should the [illegible] doubts as to the correctness of the Engineer's report. After discussion the matter was referred to the Nielsen Sub-Committee for inspection and report to the Trust.

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(ii) Mrs.Gemmell , 7 Marathon Road,Darling Point, had donated two carved chairs of the 16th.century period and that these chairs were placed in the Family Dining Room for inspection by the Trustees. The meeting decided to accept the chairs and the Secretary was directed to thank Mrs.Gemmell for her gift.

Mr.Parkes reported that:

(i) He had gone into the matter of installing an amplifier in Nielsen Park and that the cost would be in the vicinity of £300. As an alternative there was a portable megaphone known as a "Transhalier" which cost £43. The matter was discussed and it was resolved that as the parking position on the Tresillian Road had now been eased the matter be held in abeyance.

(ii) The roof of the boatshed at Nielsen was collapsing and the matter was referred to the Nielsen Sub-Committee for inspection and recommendation.

Mr.Barrett suggested that, as the turnabout at the Tresillian Hospital created a hazard should a fire occur at any time, the Trust should at some future date look into the matter. He also said that if the Trust could see their way clear to purchase a Ferguson Tractor, quite a number of problems would be solved, particularly as regards the constant picking up at Nielsen Park after large picnics. The President offered to look into the price of such tractors and their possible uses on properties under Trust's control.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.15. a.m.

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.March,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.R.Rogers,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller.

MIIUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) Mr.Lusher had been appointed by the Lands Department as Trustee vice the late Mr.R.C.Condon.

(ii) The person engaged to inspect the nets with the aid of aqua-lung equipment had not reported for duty. As the inspection could not be deferred indefinitely, it had been suggested that, instead of paying £2.2.0 for a fortnightly inspection during the swimming season, the Trust procure an aqua-lung for an approximate cost of £39 plus 6/- per bottle of oxygen, to be used by members of the Life-Saving Club to inspect thenets. He regarded this as a sound idea,but, before prpceeding with it, Trust's liability for wages in the event of injury would have to be examined. It was left to the President to make inquiries as to Trust's liability in this regard.

(iii) The Woollahra Municipal Council had informed the Secretary that the rotary mower would be ready for hire on or about 20th.March.

(iv) Mr.Brown of the Museum of Applied Arts and Science had supported Mr.Parkes' views regarding the pewter ware donated to the Trust by Mr.Ashley. Mr.Parkes was entrusted with final selection of pieces to be displayed.

(v) He had inquired into the matter of purchasing a Ferguson tractor and the Department of Agriculture had suggested a Lundell Forager for £425 as most suitable for Trust's needs. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Snelling, it was agreed that, as the work on the wharf at Nielsen Park was going to be very costly, it would be advisable to defer the matter until next season.

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MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

(vi) The Australian Broadcasting Commission had filmed various parts of Vaucluse House and were televising it on Thursday,12th.March at 2.30 p.m. under the heading of "Famous Places". It was suggested that a copy of this film may be procured if desired and Mr.Mills agreed to discuss this with Mr.Moses.

(vii) The Conservatorium Director had for sale a piano suitable for No.1 Pavilion at a price of £80 plus £23 for necessary repairs. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was agreed that the piano be bought.

(viii) The Secretary had written to the Gas Employees Committee (Picnic) as suggested at previous meeting but that, up to date, no reply had been received.

(IX) Mr.Mills had approached Mr.Cuiness regarding holding an open-air Sunday School and that Mr.Guiness would decide which park would be more suitable for this purpose.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Maritime Services Board quoting an approximate cost of £410 for urgent repairs to wharf, plus £30 for diver's inspection. The President reported that he had asked for the inspection so that the matter could be discussed at this meeting. The diver reported that:- (a) Eight plumb and six spur piles would have to be replaced almost at once; (b) the remaining 22 piles on the same section of the wharf were also in bad condition; (c) to do some of the repairs,the wharf would have to be removed and replaced after repairs were completed.
As the repairs to the wharf involved some thousands of pounds, it was decided on the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Barrett, that the President and Mr.Parkes discuss with the Maritime Services Board alternative proposal for re-constructing the wharf.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 28/2/59 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since February meeting to the value of £1026.17.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £842.9.3 in the case of Vaucluse House were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Parkes reported that:-

(i) He and Mr.Mills had inspected the bedroom suite offered to the Trust by Miss E.Forsyth. Although it was possible that the suite had belonged to the Wentworth family, its period style suggested that later descendants and not W.C.Wentworth himself had used it. Therefore, they had both considered the suite was not contemporaneous with other furniture in the House. This action was endorsed on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Snelling.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(ii) Mr.Brown of the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences had inspected the Stables and Coachhouse and had suggested that, perhaps the students from the Coach Coaching School within the Technical College might renovate the coaches. This would preserve the woodwork and enhance the appearance of the coaches. It was agreed this suggestion should be followed up by the President and Mr.Parkes.

(iii) As the Stables were in an excellent state of preservation, throwing them open for public inspection might be worthy of Trust's consideration. He was of the opinion also that, in order to protect the coaches, the area that housed them should be closed in. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the President and Mr.Parkes.

On behalf of the Nielsen Sub-Committee, Mr.Mills reported that:-

(i) The Committee had met on the previous Saturday, had inspected Bottle and Glass Headland and recommended that quotes be obtained for a bulldozer to clear a certain section of this area so that it could be used by picknickers. The Secretary was requested to obtain quoted for this work.

(ii) That the road loop at Radar Station be widened to allow cars to park and turn more easily and that a gateway be erected on the bend of the Hospital Road with a sign directing that the road be kept clear for hospital use. GFor the present, it was agreed by the Meeting that a sign -"Hospital Road - Keep Clear - Penalty £25" be erected at the loop and the Secretary was instructed to have the sign made, but quotations for widening the roadway near the Radar Station should be obtained after Mr.Parkes had considered theproposal.

(v) As the advertising contract with 2 SM had expired, it was decided not to renew the contract at present. The President said that, in view of the extra pavilion bookings and the increased attendances at Vaucluse House, he was of the opinion that the advertising had been most satisfactory.

(vi) The question of clearing lantana from a section of the Hospital Road was discussed and Mr.Barrett suggested that the Department of the Army might clear it with flame-throwers during one of their exercises. The Secretary was directed to write to the Department in this regard.

(vii) Mr.Barrett raised the question of a small advertisement being placed in "The Open Road" and the Secretary wasasked to make enquiries.

MEETING CLOSED . The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.April,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair)
N.E.Mills,
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
H.A.Snelling,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher.
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

The President welcomed Captain P.Lusher on behalf of himself and his co-trustees.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(1) As requested by members at the last meeting, he had made inquiries as to Trust's liability in the use of an aqua-lung for net inspection. Investigation showed that, under Trust's present policy, it would be in order to engage a lifesaver or one of Trust's staff, paying the former a small fee for the service. As an alternative, Trust might take out an accident policy and pay no fee for work done. The meeting agreed that Mr.Halbert inquire from the foreman or the life-savers whether either would be willing to inspect the nets with the aid of an aqua-lung for, say, £1 per inspection.

(2) The Woollahra Council would hire out to the Trust Council's rotary mower towards the end of April.

(3) The Sunday School conducted by Mr.Guiness had been held only once because of inclement weather.

(4) The recent storm damage to the promenade would cost approximately £500. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was resolved that the Department of Public Works carry out the work.

(5) He and Mr.Parkes had interviewed the Maritime Services Board in regard to the extensive repairs needed to the wharf. After a lengthy discussion,the Board undertook to assume control of the wharf and to charge Trust an annual rental the amount of which will be calculated. The negotiations and the President's letter were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

(6) The Department of the Army was not interested in the clearing of lantana on the Hospital Road. However, he would communicate with the Department of Navy regarding this matter.

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MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

(7) The advisability of widening the road loop at the Radar Station had been investigated by Mr.Parkes, who reported that, if the loop were widened, additional space would only be provided for cars parking there during the summer. Mr.Parkes considered it preferable to erect a "No Parking" sign in this area and to prosecute offenders for infringements. It was agreed that action to prevent parking be taken, and the matter stood over generally.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from the Australian Broadcasting Commission acknowledging Trust's thanks for televising the House and advising Trust that, though it was possible to make a 16mm film from the telerecording, the cost of such a reprint would be high, as professional actors would be engaged and additional payments in terms of their engagement necessary. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved to pursue the matter no further but to thank the General Manager of the Australian Broadcasting Commission.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

(1) Quotation from John Sands for folders depicting views of the Eastern Suburbs, including Vaucluse House and Nielsen Park, at a purchase price of 10½d and a retail price of 1/6 each respectively, was discussed. On the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was agreed to place these folders on order when photographs of Vaucluse House and Nielsen Park were included.

(2) Quotation from A.Bradshaw for bulldozing a section of roadway and area at Steel Point for the sum of £92 was received. Mr.Mills reported that Woollahra Council's engineer had also inspected this area and quoted approximately £50 to clear the same section. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was decided to accept the Council's quotation.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed/

FINANCE.

(1) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31st.March was discussed and noted.

(11) On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since March meeting to the value of £649.17.8/in the case of Nielsen Park and to £609.6.3/in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:-

(1) Some time ago, it was suggested that the Trust interest one of the gardeners in studying a course of horticulture so that more than one member of the staff might be equipped with the necessary knowledge of keeping the grounds in order. Inquiries elicoted that the correspondence course in Horticulture was not included in the syllabus in the Technical College in Sydney this year but that a similar course was available in Perth. M.Wilkinson had expressed his willingness to undertake the course, if such was available. Tuition fee was £9. He, the President, recommended that Trust should bear the cost. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, this recommendation was approved.

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CHAIRMAN W.H.Wm. C.Groth SECRETARY T. Schmude

OTHER MATTERS.

(2) There were six hundred lockers in the men's dressing sheds and at no time in the season were there more than two hundred hired simultaneously in this section. He considered that a block of three hundred in the centre might be disposed of, as they were expensive to keep in working order. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Snelling, it was resolved to remove these lockers and, if possible, to sell them. The President intimated that he would get in touch with Government Stores regarding disposal.

(3) In addition to the work contemplated for the winter, as enumerated in the Secretary's Report, he believed that the trees surrounding the outer park should receive attention, as they were being slowly strangled by convolvulus. The Secretary was instructed to attend to this work.

(4) The provision of two extra toilets in the women's dressing sheds, the fence surrounding Wunsch's cottage at Steel Pt. and the renovation of the gardener's quarters were left to the discretion of the President and Mr.Parkes.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.45 a.m.

Hilda C Smith
Chairman
7/5/54

T. Schmude

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.May,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair)
N.E.Mills,
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present/

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.J.R.Barrett.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that the Woollahra Council had informed the Secretary that the rotary-mower would be available in June and not in May as formerly arranged. Mr.Mills undertook to see that the delay would not be protracted.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Minister for Lands,enclosing letter from the Premier, advising the Minister of a proposal by the Cumberland County Council whereby Vaucluse House would be incorporated in the County of Cumberland Planning Scheme Ordinance and the President's reply thereto. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Captain Lusher, the President's action was confirmed.

(ii) St.John Ambulance Brigade thanking the Trustees for their co-operation in painting the Ambulance Room and equipment.

(iii) Eastern Suburbs Ambulance Brigade requesting Trust's annual donation of £5.5.0. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the donation was granted.

(iv) Maritime Services Board informing Trust that further inspection of the wharf at Nielsen Park had disclosed the approximate cost of repairing the wharf to be greatly in excess of an earlier estimate. The Board requested another meeting with the President to discuss the matter further. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was resolved that the President interview the Board's representatives on a date mutually convenient and make whatever arrangements he deemed appropriate.

GENERAL BUSINESS. Quotation from McCarthy and Sons for lopping Moreton Bay Fig Tree near Kiosk at a cost of £35 was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes.

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CHAIRMAN.Wallace C. Wurth SECRETARY.T. E. Schmude

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, accounts paid since April meeting to the value of £1132.2.8/in the case of Nielsen Park and to £857.14.0/in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/4/59 was discussed and noted.

OTHER MATTERS. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Parkes it was agreed to purchase 700 feet of cable from Bullivants for net enclosure.

The President reported that:-

(1) Mrs.W.C.Wentworth,Snr.had presented a garden seat belonging originally to William Charles Wentworth. When repaired, it would be placed at western end of veranda.

(2) The Department of Public Works had completed the repairs to promenade and steps at Nielsen Park and Mr.Halbert had reported that the work was satisfactorily done.

(3) The kitchen dresser had been glassed-in and the pewter ware, donated by Mr.Ashley, was on display therein.

(4) The Hospital Road had been repaired and sealed by the Department of Navy and Trust's staff had assisted by clearing lantana encroaching on the road.

(5) When the bulldozer was being hired to clear a certain area of Bottle and Glass headland, he suggested that (a) the area surrounding the summit of Mt.Trefle and the tip be cleared;(b) when an opportunity presented itself, Trust's staff clear the overgrowth of lantana on Mt.Trefle;(c) the seats be repainted on Mt.Trefle lookout.

(6) On checking returns of admissions to enclosure for season 1958/59, he noticed that, although there had been eighteen more picnics, enclosure admissions had decreased by £480. It was difficult to discover the cause of this decline in receipts. He intimated that he contemplated discussing the matter with the Auditor General with a view to devising a better method of accounting and would report the outcome of the discussion to the next meeting.

Mr.Parkes reported that:-

(1) (a) The leaks in the slate roof of the Secretary's residence could not be repaired by Trust's staff; (b) he had procured a quotation from G.Ward for £41; (c) he recommended that these repairs be attended to as soon as possible. On themotion of Mr.Kelly,seconded by Mr.Mills, the quotation was accepted.

(2) The corridors in the House were to be painted during the coming month. He had discussed the colour scheme with Miss Russo and the shades decided upon were presented to the meeting and approved.

Mr.Miller suggested that the "Mouseketeers", a troupe of juvenille entertainers, be invited to the House during their stay in Sydney as an attraction for the children. Negotiations were entrusted to Mr/Mills.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 10.50 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.June,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair)
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude.

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.N.E.Mills.

The President reported the death of Mr.S.Wilson who had been a Trustee for thirteen years and President for seven years. The Trustees recorded their regrets.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) The Rotary-mower hired from the Woollahra Council would commence at Vaucluse Park on this coming Wednesday.

(ii) He had interviewed the Maritime Services Board as requested at the previous meeting. The cost of repairs to the wharf would now be £7500 and not £4500 as previously estimated. The usual practice of the Board was to charge 10% of the capital value of repairs, which ordinarily would have involved the Trust in an expenditure of £750 per annum, but the Board had agreed to reduce this amount to £600 per annum. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the Trustees authorised the President to conclude an agreement in the terms suggested.

(iii) The lopping of Moreton Bay Fig Tree would be attended to during the next week.

(iv) He had inspected the areas cleared by the bulldozer, namely; the tip and the area at the foot of Mt.Trefle and Bottle and Glass. The work impressed him as having been satisfactorily carried out. Mr.Halbert reported that the bulldozer was hired for thirty-five hours.

(v) He had interviewed the Auditor-General in regard to Nielsen Park and had left the matter in their hands for report.

(vi) The Department of Technical Education had agreed to purchase the surplus lockers at Nielsen Park Dressing Shed for £50. The sale was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Captain Lusher.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received and read from the following:-

(i) Marist Brothers' College,Randwick,requesting an advertisement in their College Magazine. The Trust decided that it would not advertise.

(ii) Mrs.S.Wilson thanking the Trustees for their condolences in her recent bereavement.

(iii) Department of Lands acknowledging Trust's letter in regard to County Cumberland Planning Scheme and informing the Trust that the Minister had suggested that all future representations by the Council should be made direct to the President of the Trust.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Parkes, confirmation was given to tje engagement of E.Bowman replacing B.Sames.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/59 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £573.2.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £597.19.8 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President read a report from the Forestry Commission in regard to the Gingko and Cedar Lebanon Trees. On the motion of Mr.Barrett,seconded by Mr.Rogers, it was decided to adopt the recommendations in the report.

A request from the Head Gardener for the purchase of ten roses and seven flowering peach trees was approved on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

Mr.Parkes reported that the cost pf materials to remodel the gardeners' quarters and supply the necessary staff amenities would be in the vicinity of £200. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Captain Lusher, it was decided to have this work put in hand.

The President informed the meeting that a mail van had collided with Trust's truck. The estimated damage was £45 and the Government Insurance had agreed to the repairs being done.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.30 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....T. Schmeide.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.July,1959.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.C.Parkes.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) The rotary-mower hired from the Woollahra Council had completed the grass cutting on Wednesday,8th.July.

(ii) He had received a letter from the Solicitor of the Maritime Services Board advising that future repairs to the wharf at Nielsen Park, other than wear and tear, would be Trust's responsibility. As this might conceivably involve the Trust in unpredictable expenditure each year, it was agreed, on the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett, that the President seek a more concise arrangement from the Board and report at the next meeting.

(iii) A letter from the Minister for Lands informing the Trust that the County Cumberland Council fully appreciated the Trust's remarks as set out in the President's letter and that, should the necessity arise for discussing any matters connected with Vaucluse House, the Council would deal direct with the Trust.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received and read from the following:

(i) Canberra Times regarding booklets of Vaucluse House by K.R.Cramp. On the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was decided to accept with gratitude the booklets and to inquire whether any blocks used in this booklet were available.

(ii) Blue Mountains Exhibition requesting duplicates of relics in possession of the Trust for the permanent exhibition being opened in Katoomba on 15th.August. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr,Snelling, it was resolved that the President discuss with Mr.Parkes the advisability of loaning a plaque of William Charles Wentworth and, as there were no duplicates of relics, the organizers of the exhibition be asked whether a framed set of pictures of the House would be acceptable.

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CHAIRMAN, Wallace C Wurth SECRETARY T. E Schmude

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/59, was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Captain Lusher, accounts paid since June meeting to the value of £435.8.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £638.15.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

A discussion took place regarding the proposed parking area on Bottle and Glass headland. The meeting agreed that Mr.Halbert should fence the entrance and proceed with the preparation of the road and the parking area, and that the parking area should be opened on busy Sundays during the swimming season.

The re-concreting of the main path leading from Vaucluse House to Wentworth Road was discussed. As quotation submitted by private contractors was too high, it was resolved to utilise the services of the Trust's stonemason, assisted by a hired man for the occasion.

Mr.Barrett intimated that, as the Australian Flag hoisted in front of House was dilapidated, he would donate one to the Trust. On behalf of the Trust the President thanked Mr.Barrett for his interest.

The President reported that:-

(i) The sister of the present W.C.Wentworth, Mrs.Weekes, had informed him that "Woman's Day" would be pleased to present the Trust with the set of pictures of the House taken during the past couple of weeks. As these might be useful for advertising in the future, he recommended that the Trust accept the offer. This was agreed to. Mrs.Weekes also offered to prepare covers and curtains in the bedrooms of Vaucluse House if the Trustees contemplated renewing them. It was left to the President to discuss this with Mr.Parkes and Miss Russo, the Trust's adviser of interior decorating in the House.

(ii) There had been a considerable amount of rubbish dumped on the Hospital Road. Sgt.Lucas of the Rose Bay Police had been called in and the matter was now in the hands of the Crown Solicitor.

On the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was agreed to instal electricity in pavilions Nos.1 and 2 at Nielsen Park, and two extra toilets in the Womens' Dressing Sheds.

Mr.Mills reported that the Woollahra Council Centenary Celebrations would be held next year, and that Vaucluse Park was to be the venue for a public dinner, a pageant and a garden party in conjunction with the Royal Historical Society. Final arrangements for these functions were to be made at a later date.

Mr.Kelly suggested that, as the Under Secretary of Lands, Mr.A.R.Jones, had retired, he felt it would be fitting that a letter of appreciation be sent on behalf of the Trust thanking Mr.Jones for his services to the Trust during his term of office. The Secretary was directed to prepare the letter.

Miss Hordern had offered to the Trust a cradle which had been in the Hordern family for the past three generations. Because if lack of storage space it is the policy of the Trust to accept only articles belonging to the family of W.C.Wentworth and the Secretary was instructed to thank Miss Hordern for her offer and to inform her of the

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OTHER MATTERS. Trustees' policy.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.15. a.m.

CHAIRMAN Sabine C. Smith SECRETARY T. Schwandt

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.August,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Würth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) He had been in communication with the Maritime Services Board and had made an appointment this coming week with the President of the Board who was expected to be well enough to be interviewed. The President hoped that the Board would still accept £600 per annum as the Trust's total liability.

(ii) The engineer of the Public Works had inspected the storm damage at Nielsen Park and estimated the cost of repairs at approximately £4500 to £5000. As £1500 was still outstanding to the Public Works for repairs attended to last March and as there was no guarantee that, if these present repairs were done, there might not be arecurrence of damage by nfuture storms, the meeting agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the chairman and, if necessary to have the damaged section roped off during the swimming season.

(iii) The Canberra Times had sent 90 copies of K.R.Cramp's booklet "William Charles Wentworth". The meeting agreed to the President's suggestion that these be kept in the Trust's archives.

(iv) The Woolner Plaque had been given to Mr.Gatward for the Blue Mountains Exhibition and the Trust's painter had prepared an attractive poster of eleven coloured pictures of the House. This poster was delivered to Arthur Stores, Darlington on Friday, 31st. July as requested by the committee.

(v) The editor of "Woman's Day" had sent two copies of photos taken by its staff photographer. As they were of the Wentworth descendants rather than of Vaucluse House, he was of the opinion that they would not be suitable for publication in any future brochure. This was confirmed by the meeting and the secretary was directed to place the photos amongst the House records and to acknowledge with thanks.

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CHAIRMAN Wallace C Würth ..... SECRETARY T Schmude .....

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

Mr.Parkes reported that Mrs.Weekes, sister of the present W.C.Wentworth, had met him on Monday,27th.July and, with Miss Russo, they had discussed furnishings for the bedrooms in the House. Mrs.Weekes suggested that she contact various firms and ask them to supply the materials necessary. However, it was possible that the firms concerned might require some acknowledgement of the gift in the rooms. The Trustees decided that this would be inappropriate to an historical museum such as Vaucluse House. As an alternative,it was agreed that, should the firms decide to assist the Trust, appreciative references be made to such firms in the Directories used by patrons when inspecting the House. Mr.Parkes was empowered to enter into further negotiations with Mrs.Weekes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters from Blue Mountains Historical Exhibition and The Canberra Times in reply to President's letters regarding plaque and booklets respectively were received and noted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at 31st.July,1959 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £651.3.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £850.18.9 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Barrett mentioned that Mr.Vockler had expressed his willingness to resume duties at Nielsen Park during the coming season. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr.Vockler that the arrangements would be the same as for last season, the amount of £6.6.0 to be paid as formerly.

The President reported that:-

(i) The Crown Solicitor had informed him that the evidence gathered from Peter Rowan by the Sergeant at Rose Bay was insufficient to warrant prosecution. The Trustees agreed to accept the Crown Solicitor's advice. Discussion took place as to the powers of the police to institute proceedings for breaches of the by-laws and the President undertook to look into the matter.

(ii) Mrs.D.Wentworth had presented to the Trust the following articles loaned on behalf of her son, Mr.W.C.Wentworth:

Two carved Cupboards (Family Dining Room Furniture
One Statuette - Dying Gladiator.
Painting -"Three Daughters of W.C.Wentworth"
Hand-tooled leather Dining Room Chair.

The Secretary was asked to acknowledge these with Trust's thanks.

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(iii) The coach had been collected by the Department of Technical Education. Its renovation by the students was expected to take twelve months.

The carpenter's request for a rip saw, spindle and motor at an approximate cost of £40 was left to the President to procure when funds were available.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.45 a.m.

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.September,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude. (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) He had interviewed the President of the Maritime Services Board before his death and had been advised that the proposed rental of £600 per annum to be paid by the Trust would cover reasonable wear and tear as well as damage by storm, tempest and sea. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the arrangement was confirmed.

(ii) He had been in communication with the Department of Public Works and had managed to have the prospective expenditure of repairs to the promenade reduced to approximately £3000 and that the Department had begun the work last week. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, the President's action was confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were recived and read from the following:

(i) A.R.Jones thanking the Trustees for their letter of appreciation.

(ii) Department of Lands acknowledging Annual Report.

(iii) Invitation to the Trustees to attend a Garden Party at Admiralty House in aid of the St.John Ambulance Brigade.

(iv) Police Department and Department of Government Transport in reply to Secretary's letters asking for assistance during the wistaria season.

(v) Hurlstone Park Methodist Sunday School requesting refund of £3.15.0 for cancellation of pavilion booking. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the request was granted.

(vi) Police Department informing the Trust that the Police Military Band would play at Vaucluse Park on Sunday, 13th.September. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Miller, the Secretary was directed to thank the Bandmaster and officers, the letter to be written under the President's signature.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(vii) Eveleigh Carriage Works requesting refund of £5 deposit on pavilion bookings due to wharf repairs not being completed in time to hold their annual picnic. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Mills, the request was granted.

(viii) Mr.D.Davenport, Double Bay, regarding the clearing of Bottle and Glass. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr.Davenport thanking him for his interest.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

The President read a letter from the Police Department informing the Trust that they would co-operate with the Trust in handling prosecutions for breaches of Trust's by-laws.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was decided to increase the Secretary's salary by £1 per week, bringing the gross amount to £16.6.3 per week.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31st.August, was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £681.6.1 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £624.17.6 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The Trustees expressed their thanks to the President on the new brochure and asked that he convey to the Government Printer and Mr.Mander their gratitude in producing such an excellent brochure. It was agreed to charge 3/6 each. The Secretary was instructed to procure envelopes to fit the brochure.

The President reported that:-

(i) Mr.Vockler had asked that, in addition to being swimming instructor, he would like to act as beach inspector at the same time. The members agreed to authority being given to Mr.Vockler under by-law 38 but desired that the President interview Mr.Vockler and explain to him the manner in which his authority as beach inspector must be exercised.

(ii) He had given permission for the purchase of thirty-one azaleas and two camellias before the commencement of the wistaria season so that the cleared shrubbery would be filled in. The President's action was confirmed.

(iii) Mr.Russell of the Parramatta Hospital had given the head gardener forty wistaria plants and these had been planted alongthe fence between the toilets and Wentworth Road. It was suggested that Mr.Russell view the wistaria in its present condition. The President agreed to attend to this matter.

(iv) The auditor had suggested that the ticket box at Nielsen Park be locked and brought to the office each week to be opened by the Secretary. The Secretary was directed to see that these instructions were carried out.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.15 p.m.

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.October,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair)
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Captain P.Lusher.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months.

President: Mr.Wallace C.Wurth.
Vice-President: Mr.N.E.Mills,
Treasurer: Mr.J.A.Kelly.

Nielsen Park Sub-Committee: The President ex-officio, Messrs.Mills,Miller,Snelling,Barrett,Rogers and Lusher.

Vaucluse House and Park: The President ex-officio, Messrs.Mills,Kelly,Parkes,Miller,Snelling,Barrett and Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) He had written to the Maritime Services Board in reply to their letter of 16th.September,1959 accepting the Board's offer, namely, (a) to enter into a lease for ten years at a rental of £600 per annum; (b) the lessee to pay rates,taxes and insurance premiums, including a covenant for the lessee to keep the premises in good and substantial repair - reasonable wear and tear and damage by storm and tempest and otherwise arising from the action of the waters of the Port of Sydney excepted. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the President's action was confirmed.

(ii) He had sought legal advice regarding the form of the authority to be given to Mr.A.Vockler as beach inspector and had interviewed Mr.Vockler. He had informed Mr.Vockler that he should restrict his activities in general to reporting misconduct to the appropriate authority. An authority was signed by all Trustees present at the meeting.

(iii) The Secretary had reported to him that Mr.Russell of Parramatta Hospital had suggested that only the parts of wistaria mostly affected by borer should be removed at the proper time. The premature leafing ~~should-be-removed-at-the-proper-time.-The~~ of the wistaria was attributable to the warm weather rather than to any inherent weakness in the vines. Mr.Russell would inspect the vine for the Trust from time to time.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received and read from the following: 13

(i) Balmain City Mission requesting refund of £3.15.0 deposit on pavilion booking which was cancelled because of wharf repairs. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the request was granted.

(ii) Military School of Engineering,Liverpool, requesti refund of deposit of £5 on pavilion booking. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, the refund was agreed to.

(iii) British India Steam Navigation Company authorising the Trust to have the diving tower repairs carried out and accepting liability for the damage caused by the "S.S.Purnea" colliding with the tower on Monday, 28th.September,1959.

(iv) Conservatorium of Music presenting account for purchase of piano at a cost of £105. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the account was passed for payment.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/59 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £978.16.11 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £836.10.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Barrett it was decided to advertise on Station 2 SM as per quote of £80 for thirty-six advertisements of 50 words each.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Snelling,the Secretary was directed to purchase a linen blind for upstairs corridor to prevent further damage to paintings and to procure fourteen Dœosma plants as requested by the head gardener.

The Auditor-General's Report and Balance Sheet was received and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge it with thanks.

As the records showed that the work involved in germinating Trust's own seeds did not warrant the cost, it was agreed by the meeting to purchase seedlings at the lowest cost procurable, for the future. The President was authorised to obtain the plants .

The President reported that he had had occasion to speak to the head gardener who was selling seedlings on behalf of Glenbrook Nursery and was using the Trust's glasshouse as a distributing centre. The Trustees expressed their displeasure and suggested that the President again interview P.Wunsch, informing him that continuance of such practices would result in instant dismissal. The President agreed to inform Wunsch of this decision.

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OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Barrett on behalf of the Police Force and the Bondi Lifesavers asked the Trustees to permit a charity benefit for the widow of late Senior Constable Jenkings to be held at Nielsen Park on Sunday, 3rd.January,1960. It was agreed by the members that: (a) the Trust donate the use of one pavilion, (b) to permit pony rides in an area set aside for that purpose, (c) allow an exhibition of swimming and lifesaving to be held within the swimming enclosure. Any further arrangements were left to the decision of the President and Mr.Barrett.

It was resolved that the new brochures be sold at 2/6 each instead of 3/6 to school children visiting the House in groups.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.50 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.November,1959,at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
N.E.Mills,
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY.

An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller and Captain Lusher.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, the President recorded the Trustees' regret at the death of the Premier, the Honourable Mr.J.Cahill, and expressed their deepest sympathy to the relatives of the deceased, particularly to Mr.Trustee J.A.Kelly.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) He had conveyed to the head gardener, P.Wunsch, not only the Trustees' directive that he cease to act as an agent of Glenbrook Nursery but also their displeasure that he had presumed to do so in the first place.

(ii) A recent storm had damaged the nets badly at Nielsen Park but the repairs carried out by the Department of Public Works to the promenade had withstood the pounding of the heavy seas. As the nets had not been replaced pwing to heavy seas, he had instructed the foreman to charge only half-rates for admission to the dressing sheds on Sunday, 25th.October. This action was confirmed by the Trustees.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received and read from the following:

(i) R.C.Anstee regarding developmental project on Mr.Trefle. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, the Secretary was directed to inform Mr.Anstee that the Trustees had no intention at present of opening up this area and, if they were to do so in the future, it would be by public tender.

(ii) Rural Bank in reference to Fixed Deposit of £2000 which expired on 24th.November,1959. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved to renew this deposit for the ensuing twenty-four months.

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CHAIRMAN.W.C.Wurth.....SECRETARY.T.E.Schmude.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) Maritime Services Board regarding repairs to diving tower and pile on north-western section of tower structure. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was agreed to accept the Board's quotation of £243 for tower repairs to be paid by the British India Steam Navigation Company and to have pile renewed, the President offering to obtain the lowest charge for the latter work.

(iv) Woollahra Council regarding arrangements for Centenary Dinner to be held tentatively in Vaucluse Park. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the Secretary was instructed to inform the Council that the Trustees had no objection to the dinner being held in a marquee erected in the grounds but suggested that, since Mr.McCole was experienced in large scale catering and as the Trustees had agreed that he should have the rights to function as a restauranteur he be given priority in Council's choice of a caterer/.

(v) Mrs.E.F.Wentworth, Malvern,Victoria, offering for exhibition in Vaucluse House a Cardinal's robe bequeathed to her by the late Dorothy Wentworth. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Mills, it was resolved to accept the gift.

(vi) Ryde-Meadowbank Presbyterian Sunday School Committee requesting refund of deposit of £2 for cancellation of pavilion reservation owing to wharf repairs. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the request was granted.

(vii) Mr.M.King, Coolong Road,Vaucluse,complaining of new parking area on Bottle and Glass. The Secretary was directed to inform Mr.King that (a) the purpose of the Trust in opening the parking area on Bottle and Glass was to relieve traffic conjestion in Greycliffe Avenue and Coolong Road; (b) the area was to be open only on Sundays and Public holidays, if the weather was extremely hot, and closed by 6 p.m. (c) action would be taken to prevent any nuisances being committed.

GENERAL BUSINESS. The engagement of W.Scott and C.Brooker was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31st.Oct.1959 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £1344.17.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £611.1.9 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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OTHER MATTERS.

The President announced that, in reply to Trust's request to the Government Transport for an express bus service from Central Station to Nielsen Park, the Department had intimated that the service would possibly commence within a fortnight. The Trust would be notified by letter of the exact date of commencement.

The Secretary's request to replace fallen trees in beach reserve was referred to the President who will communicate with the Forestry Commission regarding types of trees to be planted.

It was suggested that it be proposed to the Woollahra Council that the outer parks should be attended to by their staff before the Centenary celebrations in April and the Secretary was directed to inform the Council of this decision.

As over sixty cars were on the hospital road on Sunday, 25th.October, and the police had booked thirty-six of these, it was resolved that a large sign announcing "Hospital Road - No Parking - Penalty £25" be placed at the entrance to the road and that the words "No Parking" be also written on the road. Mr.Halbert undertook to attend to this.

The President mentioned that Mr.Halbert had caught a lad using another's pass-out check to enter swimming pool. The Police had interviewed the offender and the necessary action would be taken.

Two floats which were beyond repair and had been disposed of had not yet been written off in the Trust's ledger and confirmation was necessary to bring the books up to date. On the motion of Mr.Mills, seconded by Mr.Parkes this confirmation was given.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 10.45 a.m.



CHAIRMAN *William C. Smith* SECRETARY *T. J. Schmeide*

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.December,1959 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
E.S.Miller,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.J.R.Barrett.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

Captain Lusher, whose absence from the previous two meetings was due to illness, his being in hospital, was welcomed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The tower had been repaired by the Maritime Services Board and the account would be sent to McDonald Hamilton and Company.

(ii) As requested at the last meeting, a letter of sympathy had been sent to the widow and family of the late Premier. Mr.Kelly acknowledged the letter and conveyed the family's appreciation.

(iii) The Fixed Deposit of £2000 had been renewed for another two years as approved at the November meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Mr.A.Twigg regarding dogs in the enclosure and the President's reply thereto.

(ii) Woollahra Municipal Council in reference to the County Council's request to attend to overhead mains when necessary in the enclosed area of Bottle and Glass and the Secretary's reply thereto.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council in regard to the proposed dinner to be held at Vaucluse House for the centenary celebrations of the Council in April,1960.

(iv) Mr.N.E.Mills, informing the Trust that, since the result of the recent Municipal Elections had rendered him ineligible to sit on the Trust, he was now longer eligible to serve as a Trustee. The Secretary was directed to convey to Mr.Mills the Trustees' appreciation of his services and their regret that he was no longer a member of the Trust, the letter to be written under the President's signature. The President agreed to communicate with the Department of Lands regarding the appointment of a successor to Mr.Mills.

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CHAIRMAN Wallace C. Wurth SECRETARY T. E. Schmude

GENERAL BUSINESS. Nominations were called for the election of Vice-President vice Mr.Mills. On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Snelling, Mr.Parkes was unanimously elected as Vice President.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/11/59 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £774.10.4 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £642.2.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Captain Lusher, it was agreed that the President arrange with the Department of Agriculture for the loan of twenty sheep in order to keep the grass of outer parks under control., when housing for them had been arranged. The housing of the sheep and enclosing of an area was left to Mr.Parkes in collaboration with Mr.Halbert.

Mr.T.Watson presented a clock which had been installed in the Dressing Sheds and the Secretary was directed to thank Mr.Watson for his gift.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was decided to procure from Good Housekeeping Company a reconditioned washing machine for the Nielsen Park Dressing Sheds at a cost of £20.

On the motion of Mr.Snelling, seconded by Mr.Miller, permission was granted to the Secretary to procure from the Forestry Commission eight Brush Box trees for the beach reserve at Vaucluse Bay. The President agreed to contact Mr.Regan of the Forestry Commission in order to ascertain whether it was possible to secure more suitable flowering trees.

Mr.Kelly asked that the steps adjacent to lawn in northern section of Park be repaired. The Secretary was directed to have this work done.

Unless some urgent business necessitated a meeting in January it was resolved to hold the next meeting in February,1960.

Mr.Levitt, of the Committee in charge of the Woollahra Council Centenary celebrations addressed the meeting in regard to the dinner proposed to be held at Vaucluse House in April,1960. After much discussion it was agreed that a Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs.Parkes, Snelling and Rogers be appointed to meet Mr.Levitt and members of his committee on Thursday, 17th.December,to discuss the whole matter and agree to suitable arrangements if these could be reasonably made.

The President wished the Trustees the compliments of the season and expressed his sincere thanks and gratitude for their assistance during 1959.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN Wallace C. Smith ..... SECRETARY T. Schmude .....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.February,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary),

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The diving tower at Nielsen Park had now been completed.

(ii) He had asked Mr.Anderson, Curator of the Botanic Gardens, to advise which trees would be suitable for planting in the beach reserve at Vaucluse Bay. Mr.Anderson had recommended a line of Brush Boxes be planted along the fence line at 30-36' spacing. As there was insufficient room, he had advised against a second line of trees. The President had instructed the Secretary to place the Brush Boxes on order. The President's action was confirmed by the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were read and received from the following:

(i) Woollahra Municipal Council regarding the proposed Garden Party to be held in the grounds of Vaucluse House on Saturday, 17th.September, 1960, and Secretary's reply thereto, informing the Council that the Trust would be willing to co-operate.

(ii) John Sands Ltd.in respect to proposed Folders.

(iii) Department of Public Works in reference to borer inspection and treatment carried out by the Department. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge letter and convey the thanks of the Trustees for the services rendered annually by the Department.

(iv) Mrs.E.J.Cahill acknowledging Trust's letter of sympathy in the loss of her late husband.

(v) Mr.J.Guilfoy asking Trust to warn the Life Saving Club at Nielsen Park of the danger of surf boards being used. The Secretary was directed to advise Mr.Guilfoy that the Trust had no power to prevent the use of surf boards outside of the Enclosure but that they would ask the Club and the staff to warn users of boards of the danger.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

(vi) Department of Lands enclosing copy of letter from Water Board re proposed closing of portion of Greycliffe Avenue adjacent to Bottle and Glass. The Secretary was requested to inform the Board that the Trust would do as the Board might request in the event of any building being erected by the Trust near to the Board's main.

(vii) Mr.L.McCole requesting renewal of leases for a further period of five years as from March 1962. It was agreed that Mr.McCole be advised that leases would be renewed but that, the present leases be examined to ensure that they contained a clause controlling prices charged by the lessee and that such clause be included in any new lease . In the meantime, the President to bring under the lessee's notice allegations of overcharging especially for hot water.

(viii) Department of Lands acknowledging President's notification of Mr.N.E.Mill's resignation and informing the Trust that the Department had asked the Woollahra Municipal Council to nominate a successor to Mr.Mills.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Confirmation of pavilion refund of £5 to Dr.Post was given on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Parkes, engagements of J.D.Robertson at Nielsen Park and G.Brooker at Vaucluse were confirmed.

Regarding the casual pay rate at Nielsen Park, the President reported that, as all rates might be affected by recent Court decisions, he would examine the whole position and report to the next meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was read and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at 31/1/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Snelling, accounts paid since December amounting to £824.3.10 and £850.8.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £599.2.3 and £1096.6.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) The Gardeners' Quarters at Vaucluse Park were nearing completion.

(ii) The painting of Vaucluse Kiosk was well under way.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(iii) Mr.Halbert had interviewed the Managing Director of the Port Jackson Ferry Company who had agreed that, Manly Ferries would be able to berth for organised picnics as soon as the wharf was completed.

(iv) During the Christmas period (a) the lock of the main parking area at Nielsen Park had been broken and taken and that the area had been used on Christmas Day without the knowledge of the foreman:(b) the gates of the tunnel had been bent and forced open and the lifebuoy taken: (c) the lock had been taken from No.1 Pavilion, but no offender had been caught in the act. The Police had been notified of these damages.

(v) A man had been caught spear fishing in the swimming enclosure and had been warned by the Police to the effect that a penalty would be incurred if such an incident occurred again.

(vi) The University of Technology had kindly hired out to the Trust a rotary tractor and driver for eight days in December to cut the outside parks and beach reserve. It had been agreed last March that the purchase of a large rotary mower would be considered during this season. He was of the opinion the matter should be gone into but that if a mower were procured, only Foreman Irvine should maintain, use and accept all responsibility for it. A Lundell Economy Model for £425 was considered the most suitable and the Secretary was instructed to contact Greenacres and ask for a demonstration. It was agreed that Foreman Irvine's attention should be drawn to the fact that the Trust expected him to exercise close and proper supervision over the maintenance of all mechanical equipment.

It was agreed that two advertisements be inserted in the Saturday papers and two broadcast over Station 2 SM regarding the completion of Nielsen Park wharf. Captain Lusher suggested that the Public Relations Officer of the Maritime Services Board be informed of this completion so that enquiries in reference to berthing facilities at Nielsen Park might be authoritatively answered.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Rogers, it was decided to purchase a Blue Ensign Flag for the diving tower at Nielsen Park and a Union Jack for Vaucluse House. Mr.Halbert suggested that (a) a weighing machine be installed in the dressing sheds,(b) two more ficus Hillii trees be planted in the park,(c) hoses discarded by the Fire Brigade be procured for use in repairing of floats. These matters were entrusted to the attention of the President.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE HOUSE TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th/ March,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.E.Miller and P.Lusher.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) He had perused the lease of Nielsen Park Kiosk and found that in clause (b) the lessee was expected to provide refreshments at prices approved by the lessors and that these prices were to be exhibited in conspicuous places within and outside the refreshment rooms. The Secretary was directed to inform Mr.McCole that charges for hot water were to be shown in accordance with the terms of the lease.

(ii) A letter from Mrs.Jackman,Maroubra had been received by the Secretary complaining of the conditions under which the kiosk was conducted. He had drafted a letter for the Secretary to forward to Mrs.Jackman. This action was endorsed by the meeting.

(iii) The advisability of installing a weighing machine in the dressing sheds had been investigated. Such a machine would cost approximately £135 to buy and from five to fifteen shillings a week to hire. The matter was left in abeyance for the present.

(iv) Upon making enquiries regarding the grass forager, purchase of which was decided upon at last meeting the Secretary informed him that the forager was not self-powered and would have to be attached to a tractor. As the lowest-priced tractor was £925, it was agreed that the matter be held over. In the meantime, the Department of Agriculture was on the lookout for a good second-hand tractor.

(v) Mr.Andrews of the Fire Board Commission had given 580 feet of discarded fire hose for repairing the floats. The Secretary had acknowledged receipt of the hose and thanked the Commission on Trust's behalf.



CHAIRMAN Wallace C Wurth SECRETARY T.E.Schmude

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

(vi) The Curator of the Botanic Gardens had sent two ficus Hillii and Wunsch, under Mr.Halbert's direction, had planted these at Nielsen Park on 7th.March.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Rural Bank in reference to the Fixed Depositof £4000 maturing on 20th.March,1960. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved to renew the deposit for a further term of 24 months at 3½% interest,

(ii) Miss Kilgour thanking the Trust for lopping trees in Nielsen Park facing the Convalescent Home.

(iii) Gas Employees' Picnic Committee acknowledging receipt of Secretary's information in reference to the berthing of Manly Ferries at Nielsen Park.

(iv) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust of the appointment of Mr.Crane on the Centenary Committee replacing Mr.Levitt and thanking Trust for co-operating with the Council in the garden party to be held at Vaucluse House on Saturday,17th.September,1960.

(v) Woollahra Municipal Council suggesting that prints,paintings,etc,relating to Woollahra be exhibited in Vaucluse House for one week from 17th.September as part of the Centenary Celebrations. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Snelling, it was agreed that the Centenary Committee be asked to select the most suitable room for housing the exhibits and that the Trust co-operate in the exhibition. The Secretary was instructed to notify the Committee of this arrangement.

(vi) Department of Lands informing the Trust that Mr.Graham John Crouch had been nominated by the Woollahra Municipal Council replacing Mr.N.E. Mills and that, when gazetted, the Trust would be notified.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, engagements of A.Norrie at Nielsen Park and J.South at Vaucluse were confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was read and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 29/2/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since February meeting to the amount of £590.0.1 in the case of Nielsem Park and to £644.16.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN William C Smith ...SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(i) He had intercepted a truck owner on the hospital road, and as a consequence, the Secretary had written requesting an explanation from the owner, Mr.Morrison. Mr.Morrison in reply had pointed out that, since the notice read "No Parking on Roadway" and his truck was not on the roadway, he did not think he was breaking the by-law. His explanation had been accepted but in order to obviate future misunderstanding, the Secretary was directed to have the wording altered to "No Parking". This had been attended to during the past week.

(ii) On making an inspection of Nielsen Park Kiosk he noticed that the interior of the lunch room required painting. The meeting decided to leave the matter in the hands of Mr.Parkes.

(iii) On the night of the 19th.February,1960, Irvine approached a group of young people in Nielsen Park and requested the person who had broken a bottle on the path to remove the broken glass. The culprit becoming aggressive, Irvine notified the police, who, Irvine reported, did not come in response to his summons. Later on, the same group lit fires on the steps of the Kiosk and this was reported to Mr.McCole by the nightwatchman of the wharf. Inquiries made through Mr.Rogers elicited the following facts: (1) Bondi Police visited Nielsen Park ten minutes after the telephone call, (2) they could find no one to direct them to the scene of the disturbance,(3) though there was a group of young people in the park, they were not doing anything warranting action,(4) the police warned the party that no nuisance must be committed and left the area. In reply to the foregoing facts, Irvine explained that, since he had been out in the rain, he had gone into the house to change his clothing. During this brief absence from the verandah of his cottage, it was probable that the police entered the park. This probability was strengthened by the fact that he had returned to the verandah and remained an hour there after changing his clothes. After hearing the evidence the meeting agreed that the President interview the foreman and instruct him that, while the Trust did not require him to remain on duty after hours, if at any time he saw anything untoward happening at Nielsen Park to warrant calling the police, he must remain in the area until the police arrived.

(iv) To bring the wages into conformity with the new marginal rates, the following rates of pay were agreed to, on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Rogers.

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| Nielsen Park: | | | |
| F.Irvine, Foreman | £20.4.0, | increase | £1.1.0 |
| B.Binnie, Carpenter | £20.2.4 | " | £1.1.0 |
| J.Cameron,Stonemason | £20.7.0 | " | £1.1.0 |
| H.Westbrook,Painter | £19.18.4 | " | £1.3.4 |
| Labourers | £16.15.6 | " | 11.6 |

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OTHER MATTERS.

Vaucluse.

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| P.Wunsch, Head Gardener | £19.6. 6 | increase | £1.2.6 |
| Gardener-Labourers | £16.15.6 | " | 11.6 |
| Gardener-Labourers, P/time | 8/4 hr. | " | 3d |
| L.Fisher, Cleaner | 7/6 " | " | 1d. |
| H.Ross, Attendant | 8/4 " | " | 3d. |
| T.Bickell, Cashier | 7/10 " | " | 1/- |
| T.Schmude, Secretary | £16.15.9 | " | 5/- |

Casuals - N.Park, Swimming Season.

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| J.Westbrook, Cashier & Attendant | 7/4 hr. | " | 9d. |
| M.Turner, Toilet Attendant | 6/7 hr. | " | 1/5 |
| Locker & Car Attendants, etc. | 8/4 " | " | 1/1 |

Rates to be paid from first pay period in March excepting Mrs.Turner, toilet attendant, whose pay is to be retrospective from 2 0th/Dec.1959. There was some doubt as to the painter's rate of pay but it was decided that, if after review the wage was to be increased by £1.1.0, the President be given authority to do so.

On the motion of Mr.Snelling it was agreed that the Police Military Band be invited to give a recital at Vaucluse Park either on Sunday, 17th.April or the following Sunday and that such recital, if arranged, be advertised over Station 2SM.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, it was agreed that as it seemed impossible to grow a lawn outside Vaucluse Kiosk the area now sown with grass be converted to a flagged patio.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.April,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Würth (in the Chair)
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
C.Parkes,
J.K.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) Since the last meeting no further arrangements had been made by the Woollahra Municipal Council regarding the proposed exhibition during the Centenary celebrations.

(ii) The Secretary had notified Mr.McCole to have a sign erected showing charges for hot water. This had not yet been done.

(iii) The Maritime Services Board had completed the wharf and he considered they had done an excellent job.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received and read from the following:

(i) Nielsen Park Life Saving Club in answer to Trust's letter of the 18th.February regarding surf board users.

(ii) Police Department informing the Trustees that the Police Military Band would give a recital at Vaucluse Park on Sunday, 17th.April.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust that the Council could not undertake to erect shelters at either Nielsen or Vaucluse Parks.

(iv) Department of Government Transport informing Trust that the 321 special bus service had been discontinued for this season as from 27th.March. The Secretary was directed to thank the Department for their co-operation.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's report was received and read.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/3/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since March meeting to the value of £763.11.5 in the case of Nielsen Park and of £857.0.2 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN W.C.Würth SECRETARY T.E.Schmude

OTHER MATTERS

On the motion of Mr.Snelling, it was agreed to advertise Vaucluse House over Station 2 SM for the next ten weeks. The Secretary was instructed to attend to this matter and to enquire from Station 2UE their advertising rates. The Secretary was also asked to communicate with the editor of "The Open Road" in regard to inserting a par in the next issue of this paper.

The President reported that there had been 181 picnics reserved for the season 1959/60, eighteen more than the previous season but of these 34 had been cancelled owing to the wharf being out of use.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.30 a.m.



CHAIRMAN H.W. Smith SECRETARY T Schmude

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.May,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (in the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Captain P.Lusher.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) No further information had been received from the Woollahra Municipal Council in regard to the proposed exhibition of prints,etc. forthe centenary celebration.

(ii) Mr.McCole had not yet displayed prices charged for hot water. The Secretary was directed to ask Mr.McCole to do so this week.

(iii) The Maritime Services Board had informed him that the lease for the wharf would take effect as from 1st.May,1960 at a rental of £600 per annum.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the:

(i) Department of Railways informing the Trust that a tour had been arranged for a party of 120 adults to visit Sydney for the weekend of 12/13th.June and that Vaucluse House was included in the itinerary. Visitors will be issued with tickets and the Department of Railways will reimburse Trust by cheque for the total admission charges. This arrangement was approved.

(ii) The Maritime Services Board offering to make available to the Trust 60 lengths of used fire hose. The President reported that he had accepted the Board's offer and had written a letter of thanks on behalf of the Trustees.

(iii) Department of Lands drawing Trust's attention to an announcement in Government Gazette of 1st.April, 1960, proclaiming that public road (part of Greycliffe Avenue ) had been closed and incorporated in the Nielsen-Vaucluse Park Trust.



CHAIRMAN Wallace C. Wurth ..... SECRETARY T. Schmude .....

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/4/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since April meeting to the value of £837.7.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £784.0.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(i) Mr.Halbert had informed him of the success of Dr.Ralph's experiments in the prevention of barnacles adhering to the nets. He, the President, had instructed the Secretary to write a letter of thanks on behalf of the Trustees to Dr.Ralph.

(ii) Mr.Rogers had had cards printed for use on Trustees' cars parked in Nielsen Park. He thanked Mr.Rogers for making the cards available.

(iii) When the head gardener went on annual leave the three mowers at Vaucluse Park were out of action. The firm of Doherty and Grant had advised during the week that repairs to large Atco would cost £25.10.0 nett. They were of the opinion that abnormal engine wear was due wholly to lack of oil and that the blades, renewed only last February, were worn because of mishandling the machine. He considered that (a) Foreman Irvine should be made responsible for the maintenance of all mowers; (b) he should come to Vaucluse Park once a week to check mowers, and repair when necessary. Themeeting agreed to this suggestion and Mr.Barrett suggested that the repairs and date when such maintenance was carried out be entered in a log book. This suggestion was agreed to and the Secretary was instructed to inform Irvine of this decision on his return from annual leave on 30th.May. Approval was given to have the 28" Atco repaired.

(iv) As the cost of registering the truck was fairly high he was making enquiries to see if this registration fee could be reduced and he would report on the matter at the next meeting.

Mr.Rogers informed the meeting that he had authorised prosecution of the driver of a utility truck for unauthorised parking in Nielsen Park. Though the driver had been asked by Irvine to leave the Park he had not done so.

Mr.Snelling suggested that, as several trees had died in the cottage paddock, he felt that others should be planted to replace these. The President consented to see the Forestry Commission regarding the matter.

MEETING CLOSED. Themeeting closed at 10.35 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN: Dalla C Smith ..... SECRETARY: T J Edwards .....

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.June,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.J.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

The President welcomed Mr.Crouch and expressed the hope that his association with the Trust would be happy.

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) Mr.Watson of the Botanic Gardens would inspect Vaucluse Park and (a) direct the Trust on the nomenclature of trees in the Park (b) advise which species would be most suitable for planting as replacements of dead trees in the cottage paddock.

(ii) As mentioned at the previous meeting, a party estimated at 120 persons would visit Vaucluse House as part of a tour organized by the Railway Department.

(iii) The Maritime Services Board had donated 600 yards of used fire hose for covering of floats.

(iv) The Crown Solicitor was examining the legal position in respect of the registration of the truck and would notify the Trust as to the result.

(v) Foreman Irvine had begun weekly inspection of mowers at Vaucluse Park as directed at last meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) Department of Lands re entrance to Bottle and Glass was noted.

(ii) Department of Government Transport regarding express bus service for the 1960/61 season was noted.

(iii) Eastern Suburbs Ambulance Service requesting annual donation of £5.5.0. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the request was granted.

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CHAIRMAN.Wallace C.Wurth. SECRETARY.T.E.Schmude

CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Australian Clay Products complimenting the Trust and the lessee on facilities provided at Vaucluse House and Kiosk during the recent visit of its delegates. The Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of letter to Mr.McCole.

(v) Police Department and Department of the Army informing the Trust that their Bands would be available on Sunday,18th. and 25th.September respectively. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge with thanks.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Engagement of J.Dewberry replacing C.Brooker at Vaucluse Park was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £392.13.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £582.14.4 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) He had been informed that, in the town planning by the Woollahra Municipal Council, three shops were to be built on the corner of Greycliffe Avenue and Vaucluse Road. On the motion of Mr.Spalling, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was agreed that the President lodge a protest to the Council on behalf of the Trust.

(ii) The Woollahra Municipal Council had promised its rotary mower to the Trust during May. Up to date the mower had not been made available. As Mr.Crouch represented the Council on the Trust he suggested that he, Mr.Crouch, may be able to expedite the matter. Mr.Crouch promised to attend to this.

Mr.Parkes suggested that the Daily Mirror article of five years ago be checked to ascertain whether the defects raised in the adverse criticism of Vaucluse House had recurred. The Secretary was directed to attend to this. The Secretary was also requested to make a list of exhibits, the display cards of which were faded, and the President would have new cards printed for the Trust.

It was agreed that the Woollahra Municipal Council be requested to contribute to the rental of Nielsen Park wharf, ( £600 per annum ), as the wharf serves the Municipality as well as the Trust.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.50 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.July at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Forbes,
J.K.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
A.J.Crouch.
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Cpuncillor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller together with a request that he be granted leave of absence for three months during his absence from Australia. Leave was granted for this period.

MINUTES. Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) Owing to illness Mr.Watson of the Botanic Gardend had not visited Vaucluse Park to advise on the planting and naming of trees, but he expected to do so within the next few weeks.

(ii) The Department of Road Transport had asked for further particulars regarding the truck. He hoped that such inquiries augured well for a reduction in registration of the truck.

(iii) He had written to the Woollahra Municipal Council as requested in reference to proposed erection of shops in Greycliffe Avenue and that the Council had replied informing him that the matter was under consideration.

(iv) Through the efforts of Mr.Crouch the Council's rotary-mower and driver had been made available on Thursday, 7th.inst.

(v) As requested at the previous meeting he had sent a letter to the Woollahra Municipal Council requesting that, since the wharf was used by local residents as well as persons attending the Park, the Council pay a proportion of rental for Nielsen Park wharf. Council had replied that the matter had been referred to the Finance Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE. Nil.

GENERAL BUSINESS. The Secretary reported that Mr.Crane of the Centenary Celebration Committee of Woollahra Municipal Council had informed her that the pageant and garden party would be held at Vaucluse Park on Saturday,24th.September instead of 17th.September as originally planned and that the exhibition of prints,etc.would be open from 24th.to 30th. September.

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Chairman. Wallace C. Wurth. Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Captain Lusher, accounts paid since June meeting to the value of £811.12.6 in respect of Nielsen Park and to £742.14.10 in respect of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS. It was agreed that the present radio advertising be discontinued and renewed for two months from first week in September. The Secretary was directed to attend to this matter.

The question of attention to paintings,frames,etc.in Vaucluse House was left to the President, who agreed to contact the Art Gallery for their advice.

The President reported the death of Mrs.D.Wentworth and the Secretary was instructed to send letters of condolence to her son and daughter.

It was agreed by the meeting that the President endeavour to obtain a second-hand motor for the carpenter's use.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 10.35 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN William C. Wentworth SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.August,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.P.Lusher, G.J.Crouch, J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) As requested at the previous meeting he had sent letters of condolence to the son and daughter of the late Mrs.D.Wentworth.

(ii) He had received a letter from the Department of Health asking that the lantana be removed from Trust's property adjoining Strickland Hospital and that he had made arrangements with the hospital for the work to be done by their patients. He understood that this had now been attended to.

(iii) He had received a report from the Curator of the Botanic Gardens regarding trees to be replaced in the cottage paddock and informing the Trust that Mr.Watson would visit Vaucluse Park and place pegs in positions for the suggested plantings. The Secretary was instructed to enquire whether a Cork Oak tree could be obtained to replace the one now dead.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust that the Council had agreed to make an annual donation of half the actual rental of the wharf at Nielsen Park, such donation not to exceed £300, and enclosing a cheque for £300 in respect of the year ending 30th.April,1961. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the cheque with thanks.

(ii) The Trustees, Executors & Agency Company stating that the grandfather clock on loan to the House had been bequeathed to the Childrens' Hospital. The Secretary infotmed the meeting that the clock had been handed over to Mr.Coombes on Monday, 1st.August.

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CHAIRMAN Wallace C Wurth ..SECRETARY T E Schmude

CORRESPONDENCE.

(111) Mr.G.J.Crouch informing Trust that he would be absent from Sydney until 14th.August, was noted.

(iv) Government Tourist Bureau regarding Vaucluse House folders. It was agreed by the meeting that the Trust pay half the cost of printing, £175, as formerly.

(v) Department of Motor Transport in reply to Trust's letter in connection with a request for a concession of tax on motor lorry, and pointing out that there is no provision in the law to grant a reduction in respect of the lorry used, as stated in Trust's communication.

(vi) Automatic Sellers re A.S.A.Cleanaids Dispenser On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Parkes, it was resolved to have a dispenser installed in the women's dressing sheds at Nielsen Park.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Snelling, the engagement of G.Jones replacing J.South at Vaucluse Park was approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/7/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £565.9.0 in respect of Nielsen Park and to £830.11.7 in respect of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Parkes suggested that the flagging being laid by the stonemason adjoining Vaucluse Kiosk be extended across the existing path and this was agreed to.

Mr.Barrett suggested that the Sydney Ferries should now be notified of the completion of Nielsen Park and the President intimated that he would communicate with Mr.Berry.

The re-arrangement of bricks in coachhouse and the affixing of a bronze plate to stone wall at rear of kitchen were left in the hands of the President.

The President reported that the bulldozer had been hired for approximately three days from Monday, 16th.inst. to clear Bottle and Glass and to remove trees in beach reserve.

It was decided that the entrance of the dressing shed be painted before the commencement of the season and the sheds to be done as time permitted.

A quote of £73.10.0 for replacing guttering and downpipes on the cottage in Vaucluse Park was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.45 a.m.

CHAIRMAN Wallace Smith. SECRETARY .....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.September,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.Wallace C.Wurth (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
C.Parkes,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
P.Lusher,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers and C.J.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) Bottle and Glass headland, beach reserve and cottage paddock had been cleared by the Council's bulldozer and at a suitable time the rubbish and felled trees will be burnt.

(ii) The Woollahra Municipal Council contemplated inviting fifty guests to the opening of the Centenary Exhibition in the House and he thought it would be a nice gesture to admit these guests free of charge. The meeting unanimously agreed with this suggestion and the Secretary was directed to inform the Town Clerk of the Trust's decision.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Carl Andrews, c/- Ralph Blunden Pty.Ltd., 406 Lonsdale Street,Melbourne, asking permission to photograph two articles of furniture in Vaucluse House for reproduction on a desk calendar. If this request were granted, due acknowledgement would be given to the Trustees of Vaucluse House. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Snelling, permission was granted.

(ii) Department of Lands acknowledging Trust's Annual Report.

(iii) Curator, Botanic Gardens, returning Trust's list of names of trees in Vaucluse Park with the necessary alterations and informing Trust that trees to replace those removed from cottage paddock would be selected in due course.

(iv) Auditor-General's Report and Balance Sheet,



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett the engagement of S.Barnao at Nielsen Park replacing W.Scott, and B.Messow at Vaucluse Park replacing J.South, was approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/8/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £1146.16.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £824.9.5 in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) Miss Edwards, St.Michael's Church of England, had asked permission to resume the Sunday School classes held at Nielsen Park last year and the meeting confirmed President's approval.

(ii) Twleve Sheep had been delivered from Hawkesbury College on Monday,29th.August. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge loan of the sheep with thanks.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was decided to provide water and two taps for the use of patrons who parked their cars at Bottle and Glass.

A request from Trust's stonemason for twenty-four yards of white sawn flagging at £2 per yard including cartage for scullery floor was granted.

Trust's carpenter, B.Binnie, had applied to the Secretary for six weeks of his long service leave plus his annual holidays from 1st.February,1961. As the carpenter had been in Trust's employ for twenty-one years, leave was granted and the President suggested that if, during his absence, a carpenter were needed one could possibly be procured through the Department of Works.

Mr.Parkes request that two coloured umbrellas be erected on the new patio adjacent to Kiosk was granted. The Secretary was instructed to place the order.

Mr.Lusher reported that a friend of his had drawn his attention to the fact that only two slides of Vaucluse House were on sale. The Secretary informed the meeting that she had made numerous requests both to Mr.Wright and Mr.Green for slides of the House but that nothing had been done. She asked that Mr.Schmude be permitted to submit a selection of slides for Trust's approval at the next meeting. This was agreed to.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 10.45 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN?.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.October,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
H.A.Snelling,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.E.S.Miller and G.J.Crpuch.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months.

President: Mr.H.A.Snelling,
Vice-President: Mr.C.Parkes,
Treasurer: Mr.J.A.Kelly.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

Mr.Parkes moved and Mr.Kelly seconded that the Trustees record the death of their esteemed colleague and President Wallace C.Wurth with deep sadness and a sense of irreparable loss.

That it is fitting that the great value of his work as President should here be acknowledged.

That it should be remembered that by his untiring efforts and under his wise guidance the public heritage which the Trust is privileged to administer is today in a sound and efficient condition for the edification and recreation of the public.

That the sincere sympathy of the Trustees be conveyed to Mrs.Wurth and the members of the family.

CORRESPONDENCE. The following letters were received and read:

(i) Police Department acknowledging Trust's letter of thanks for Band Recital on 18th.September and informing Trust that a date for another recital in November was under consideration.

(ii) Police and Citizens Boys' Club requesting refund of £7.10.0 for pavilion booking for 9th.October,1960 as their picnic had to be cancelled because of circumstances beyond their control. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly the request was granted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Lusher, accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £684.2.4 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £659.8.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) The painting of ladies' dressing sheds and of both shower rooms at Nielsen Park was satisfactory and would be carried on as time permitted.

(ii) There were interesting fortifications dating back to 1871 at Steel Point and he believed that these should be preserved for their stonework and historical value. It was agreed by the meeting that the President write to the Department of the Interior asking that the spot be cleared and perhaps opened to the public.

(iii) As the contract for radio advertising would expire on 31st.October he suggested that it be renewed until 31st.December, after which the results could be reviewed. This was resolved on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Rogers.

(iv) The tip at Nielsen Park needed clearing. He suggested that Council's bulldozer be hired for two days for this purpose. The Secretary was directed to make the necessary arrangements.

Mr.Parkes advised the meeting that:

(i) The two Band Recitals had been most successful and enjoyable. The possibility of arranging for a band to play at Nielsen Park was to be explored by the President.

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(ii) The ~~two~~ sheep on loan from Hawkesbury College had broken out of Vaucluse Park so frequently with consequent damage to residents' properties and waste of employees' time in rounding them up that he had authorised return of sheep to the college, until such time as a sheep and dog-proof fence could be erected.

(iii) Acting on authority received at the last meeting, he purchased two umbrellas for Kiosk patio and, as they were attractive in their setting, had ordered three more. Mr.Parkes' action was confirmed by the meeting.

(iv) The meeting decided to consider the purchase of a tractor mower, such purchase being dependent on a satisfactory financial return from Nielsen Park in the forthcoming swimming season. The meeting resolved further that, in the meantime, Mr.Barrett obtain necessary information about the tractor and report at the next meeting.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Parkes stated that as the vases used in Vaucluse House during the Council's Exhibition had made the rooms more attractive, he suggested that the Trust procure four vases of the period of W.C.Wentworth. Purchase of the vases was left in the hands of Mr.Parkes.

Mr.Barrett raised the question of the maintenance costs of Trust's truck and mowers and the President suggested that he would discuss the matter with the foreman of Nielsen Park.

Mr.Lusher drew the meeting's attention to the warping of the two maps in Trustees' Room and suggested that they be glazed. It was agreed that the matter be left to Mr.Parkes, also that a print of the beach reserve at Vaucluse Bay be framed.

It was moved by Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Rogers that the normal procedure of selecting sub-committees be suspended for the present.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.November,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
C.J.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Councillor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller who was absent in the country.

CONFIRMATION. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) He had written to Mrs.Wurth conveying to her the resolution passed at the last meeting regarding the death of her late husband.

(ii) The bulldozer had been hired for two days to complete the clearing of rubbish in the tip area and that the work was most satisfactory.

(iii) As Mr.Barrett had expressed concern at the abnormal expenses incurred with the truck and mowers he had spoken to Foreman Irvine and requested that a closer check be made of the Trust's machinery, particularly of the truck.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Department of Lands relative to proposed appointment of Mr.H.L.Yelland and enclosing a statutory declaration to be signed by Mr.Yelland. This form had been signed and returned to the Department.

(ii) Department of Lands informing Trust that the portion of land in Greycliffe Avenue had been dedicated for Public Recreation as an appendage to the Park and enclosing copy of the relevant Gazette for Trustees' information.

(iii) Police Department in reply to Trust's letter of 19th.September informing Trust that the Police Military Band would give a recital on Sunday, 27th.November. The President informed the Trustees that on this occasion arrangements had been made for the Band to play at Nielsen Park instead of Vaucluse House. As the date was well into the swimming season, a band recital should be an added attraction for patrons of Nielsen Park. The Secretary informed the meeting that she had notified Station 2 SM, at present handling the advertisement for the Trust, informing them of the recital and Mr.Barrett promised that he would see to the insertion of advertisements in the local papers in due time.



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(iv) Mirror Newspapers in respect of advertising. As the rates were beyond the Trust's means the Secretary was instructed to inform the Mirror of this decision.

(v) Sydney Harbour Ferries informing Trust that the ferry service at Nielsen Park will commence on Sunday, 6th. November.

(vi) The Mitchell Library in reply to President's letter of 10th. October regarding inquiry of fortifications at Steel Point and informing Trust that the necessary research work would be carried out as soon as time permitted.

(vii) Department of the Interior regarding land at Steel Point on which the Trust has permissive occupancy, and the President's letter to the Department of Lands referring to this matter.

(viii) Cumberland Tractors in reply to Mr. Barrett's inquiries about Tractor-Mower. After discussion it was resolved that a sub-committee comprising Messrs. J. Barrett, J.H. Rogers and P. Lusher be appointed to investigate the matter thoroughly and to report the results of their investigations to the February meeting of the Trust.

(ix) Art Gallery reporting on conditions of paintings and photos in Vaucluse House. It was decided the matter be left in the hands of Mr. Parkes who suggested that he make an appointment with Mr. Boustead, deputy director of the Art Gallery. In the meantime the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge Mr. Missingham's letter and report, with thanks.

(x.xi.xii) Ramsgate and Central Concord Methodist Sunday Schools requesting refunds of pavilion bookings due to inclement weather on 22nd. October, 1960. A request was received from St. John's Church of England, Campsie, of a transfer of reservation to 4th. November, 1961. On the motion of Mr. Parkes, seconded by Mr. Barrett, these requests were agreed to.

(xiii) Kay-Gee Enterprises re installing a Horse-O-Plane in Nielsen Park from 24th. December, 1960 to 24th. January, 1961. On the motion of Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Parkes, the Secretary was instructed to inform the proprietor that it was not the policy of the Trust to permit this type of amusement.

[illegible]. Confirmation of engagement of J. Accola replacing B. Messow at Vaucluse Park was given, on the motion of Mr. Parkes, seconded by Mr. Kelly.

[illegible]. The Secretary's report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/10/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr. Parkes, seconded by Mr. Lusher, accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £1017.0.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £839.7.3 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that on Thursday,17th.inst. two representatives of the Lands Department had visited Trust property, that he and Mr.Halbert had escorted them over Nielsen Park and the areas in that section under Trust's control. The Department had appointed Messrs.Stanley and Fitzgerald as administrator and inspector respectively of Parks and Reserves. At the conclusion of his visit, Mr.Stanley informed the Secretary that he was very impressed with the general appearance and organization of the properties under Trust's control and that he would be pleased at any time to assist the Trustees in any matters requiring investigation or assistance.

Mr.Parkes asked authority to improve the area surrounding the Guard House when the stonemason had completed the floor of the smaller coachhouse. Authority was granted.

Mr.Lusher informed the meeting that the Department of the Navy was disposing of anti-torpedo nets and he felt these may be of some use to the Trust. The President arranged to write to the Department regarding this matter.

Mr.Rogers brought forward the desirability of re-considering Trust's policy of season tickets. It was resolved by the meeting that at the conclusion of this season, the matter would be thoroughly investigated.

At the request of the Secretary it was agreed that:

(i) Eight tons of gravel at £9.5.0 per ton be purchased for the drive.

(ii) A window cleaner be engaged once a month at the rate of £5 per month to clean windows, glass doors and shutters of Vaucluse House.

(iii) A Cruiser Edge Cutter be purchased for £50 plus £1.17.0 for extra parts.

Mr.Crouch suggested that, since the Council had received so many complaints from residents about the fallen trees in beach reserve, Trust's staff should either burn or remove them as soon as possible. The matter was left in the hands of the President.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.25 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting of Nielsen-Vaucluse Park Trust held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.December,1960 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.H.Rogers,
E.S.Miller,
P.Lusher,
C.J.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.R.Barrett and J.A.Kelly.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) He had received a letter from the Department of the Navy informing the Trust that all surplus boom nets had been purchased by a Formosan firm and that there was no suitable alternative material available for the Trust's purpose:

(ii) The gravel had been purchased, the drive had been graded and gravel laid:

(iii) The Cruiser Edge Cutter had been purchased and already there was a marked difference to edges of lawns and flower beds:

(iv) The trees had been burnt in beach reserve. The Secretary was instructed to contact Mr.Hunt, Engineer of the Woollahra Municipal Council, and have stumps removed in accordance with arrangements made with him by Mr.Crouch.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Central Concord Methodist Sunday School thanking Trust for refund of pavilion booking, was noted.

(ii) Ramsgate Methodist Sunday School thanking Trust for refund of pavilion booking, was noted.

(iii) TBR Social Club requesting refund of £2.2.0 for tent space, owing to cancellation of picnic. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Miller, it was agreed to pay the refund but, as it was considered there should be a limit to refunds, the meeting decided to closely consider their policy twoards them in the future.

(iv) Lodge Honour requesting refund of £5.0.0 for reservation on No.3 Pavilion. As this pavilion was not suitable for their needs and as there was no other pavilion available on the date of the picnic, the refund was agreed to by the meeting.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(v) Return thanks card from Mrs.P.Wurth and family was received.

(vi) Naturalist Society re trees being removed in beach reserve. The President agreed to reply to letter mentioning that the Banksia trees were only being removed because of their danger to the public and to inform the Society that it had been arranged to plant Tristania conferta trees in their place when time permitted.

GENERAL BUSINESS. Engagement of B.Chalmers until the New Year was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Crouch.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/11/60 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Crouch, accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £2728.5.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1804.6.4 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS: The President reported that:

(i) Through the efforts of Mr.Barrett, Mr.A.McRae of Speedo Company, had donated twenty-one pairs of inner trunks for repairing men's swim suits and that he would acknowledge these on behalf of the Trust:

(ii) Mr.Halbert had arranged a fortnightly inspection of nets by a skin-diver at the rate of £2.0.0 per fortnight. This was confirmed by the meeting.

(iii) Mr.Barrett had informed him that (1) he had arranged for a demonstration early in January of the Tractor-Mower (2) he had asked Nicholson Brothers if they would arrange for a water-bus to run from Circular Quay to Nielsen Park during weekdays of the forthcoming school holidays and that Nicholsons would communicate with the Secretary early in the coming week:

(iv) Two taps had been stolen from Bottle and Glass during the past fortnight, one seat removed from Nielsen Park and over 550 feet of lattice removed from workshop and used for a barbeque; since then Mr.Rogers had arranged for the Rose Bay Police to make an hourly inspection on Friday and Saturday nights from about 9 pm to 1 am in order to prevent further vandalism.

(v) A carved door which had been presented to the House some years ago was still in store and it was arranged that Mr.Parkes inspect the door and perhaps decide whether it could be placed in the House.

(vi) As the radio advertising expired on the 31st. December he suggested it nbe carried on till the end of February and then be reviewed. This was agreed to by the meeting.

(vii) A letter had been received from the Department of Public Works in answer to Trust's letter regarding a fire place in the old Government Printing Office. It was resolved that the President communicate with the Department accepting both marble fireplaces.

CHAIRMAN.....17/3/61.....SECRETARY.....A.E.Schroeder.....

In regard to matters raised in the Secretary's Report concerning the head gardener it was resolved that action on them be left to the President.

Mr.Parkes informed the meeting that Mr.Boustead of the Art Gallery would visit the House with him this coming Friday in order to discuss the report furnished by Mr.Missingham.

Unless some urgent business necessitated a meeting in January it was resolved to hold the next meeting in February,1961.

The President extended his best wishes to the Trustees for a happy Christmas and a bright New Year.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

Edward Parkes
15/2/61

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting of Nielsen-Vaucluse Park Trust held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.February,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.C.Parkes (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.J.Crouch,
H.L.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from Messrs.H.A.Snelling and E.S.Miller.

The Vice-President welcomed Mr.Yelland and expressed the hope that his association with the Trust would be happy.

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The Vice-President reported that:

(i) The Woollahra Municipal Council had agreed to co-operate with Trust's staff in removing stumps and trees from the beach reserve.

(ii) He had visited Vaucluse House with Mr.Boustead of the National Art Gallery and inspected every photo and painting in the House. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Rogers, authority was given to have the recommendations carried out over a period as funds could be made available. The first portion to be restricted to an amount of £100, the matter then to be reviewed. Mr.Parkes was empowered to select those works needing the more urgent attention.

(iii) As the "inlaid top" table in the Marble Dining Room was not contemporaneous with the period furniture in that room, it was recommended it be offered on loan to the Post-Graduate Committee of Medicine for use in office. This was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) The Department of Lands advising the Trust of Mr.Yelland's appointment as Trustee to fill the vacancy of the late Mr.Wurth. This was noted.

(ii) State Crown Solicitor forwarding leases of Nielsen and Vaucluse kiosks for signatures. Before signing, it was agreed that Mr.McCole be asked to supply a complete list of charges for goods sold by him, excluding groceries, confectionery and cigarettes.

(iii) Director of Tourist Activities regarding folders and postcards. The Secretary was instructed to obtain a quotation for cards and folders for consideration.

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CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Mr.P.Lusher in reference to proposed purchase of tractor-mower, After discussion, it was decided to purchase one MF35 Petrol De Luxe Tractor and one Flail Cut Mower, 4' 6". It was also decided that further equipment for use with the tractor should be acquired as early as practicable.

(v) The Mitchell Library in reference to fortifications at Steel Point and the President's reply thereto. This was received.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

The engagement of W.Bevis and F.Staples replacing B.Chalmers and J.Accola at Vaucluse Park was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/1/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since December meeting to the value of £779.0.10 and £1024.3.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £714.13.7 and £724.19.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Crouch rrecommended that financial statements of Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks be submitted ~~to~~ quarterly to the Trustees. He was of the opinion monthly statements as now sibmitted entailed too much time in preparation by the Secretary. It was decided that the matter be examined and brought forward for consideration at the next meeting.

It was resolved that a quotation for sanding the floors of small corridor and two display rooms adjacent to the kitchen be obtained for consideration.

On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved that:

(i) The stables be renovated and opened to the public as soon as practicable.

(ii) The picket fence adjoining carpenter's store be renewed and not removed.

(iii) Flagging be laid in front of carpenter's store in place of asphalt.

(iv) Advertising on Radio Station 2SM be continued till the end of April,1961.

(v) Additional receptacles be placed on Bottle and Glass headland.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.March,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs. H.A.Snelling (In the Chair)
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.barrett,
G.J.Crouch,
H.L.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY.

An apology was received from Mr.J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) The Tractor-Mower had been purchased and that Irvine had been made responsible for its maintenance:

(ii) As requested, Mr.McCole had submitted a list of charges. These charges were examined and it was arranged that Mr.McCole display a list of these charges in his kiosk at Nielsen Park:

(iii) As mentioned in the Secretary's Report, a Clinton Chain Power-Saw had been purchased to cut trunk of fallen magnolia tree, and stumps in the beach reserve. It would be useful to saw trees that might fall in the parks in the future. Approval was given for the purchase of saw, on the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) Department of Lands, together with a copy of report by the Administrator, Parks and Reserves. This was received by the meeting. Copies of the report were handed to the Trustees for perusal.

(ii) Rural Bank re valedictory to Mr.O'Rourke and President's reply thereto. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Miller, Trust's contribution of £2.2.0 towards the presentation was approved and the President reported that Mr.Lusher would represent the Trust at the function on 14th.March.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council regarding improvement of parking facilities - Nielsen Park. The President reported that he and Mr.Halbert had examined the portion of land required by the Council and were of the opinion that, if ceded, amenities in the park would not be curtailed. The Trustees agreed to the easement of support in principle and resolved that the President ascertain further details from the Council's engineer.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Mr.W.Castle, Dulwich Hill, re publicating an article on Vaucluse House in his firm's magazine. This was approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and dis[illegible]sed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 28/2/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Crouch, accounts paid since February meeting to the value of £2092.6.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £963.0.6 in the case of Vaucluse Section were ratified.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) In the report from the Department of Lands it was suggested that the rentals of cottages under Trust's control be raised from 10/- to 25/- per week. On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was agreed that the employee-tenants be informed by the Secretary of the increase which would come into force as from the first pay day after the next meeting.i.e.,14th.April, subject to the President looking into the position under the Landlord and Tenant Act.

(ii) As mentioned in the Secretary's Report, one of the forks of the magnolia tree on westernside of House had fallen during the month. Mr.Regan of the Forestry Commission had inspected the fork still standing and considered it too could be dangerous. It was resolved that the Curator of the Botanic Gardens give his opinion and, if this coincided with that of the Forestry Commission, the tree be removed. Mr.Parkes raised the question as to why the head gardener had failed to construct a support on this tree after a request had been made to him sixteen months ago. The President agreed to make enquiries as to this.

(iii) It was noticed that at weekends vandals often clambered over barriers in the upstairs rooms of the House and left them in disorder. A suggestion that appropriate notices be prepared was agreed to and the Secretary was directed to have these notices displayed.

(iv) During the month a fracas had broken out betwee[illegible] a bather and a Lifesaver, L.Hall, the outcome of which was a prosecution brought by the bather against the Lifesaver for injuries received. Hall had interviewed the President who had arranged for a solicitor, G.Nicol, to watch defendant's interests. The case was settled out of court for £100. As the lifesaver was acting on behalf of the Trust in safe-guarding the beach, the President recommended that the Trust pay £50 towards the amount. This recommendation was approved on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Crouch. Mr.Barrett raised the question of the general standard of conduct of and the usefulness of the life-savers. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Crouch, it was resolved that a committee, comprised of Messrs.Barrett,Crouch and Rogers, be appointed to investigate the matter and report.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(v) He suggested that the bedrooms should, one by one, as finances permitted, be renovated and improved upon. This matter was left in the hands of the President.

(vi) As the stone coping surrounding rose bed on drive was constantly being damaged, he suggested that a larger coping be erected or some other remedy adopted and asked the Trustees for suggestions.

Mr.Parkes reported on the work carried out by M.Clancy, plasterer, to the upstairs corridor and section of kitchen wall, at a cost of £85.14.0. Approval was given on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Crouch.

It was resolved that the leases for Nielsen and Vaucluse Park Kiosks be signed by the President and the Secretary after the President and examined the said leases,

Mr.Barrett mentioned that he had been told of some dissatisfaction amongst the staff. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was agreed that Mr.Barrett talk the matter over with the President.

The Secretary reported that beetles had got into the large tapestry above the ballroom mantlepiece. It was agreed that Houghton and Byrne attend to the tapestry, after the Secretary had received a quote for the work needed, provided the amount was reasonable.

At the invitation of the President, Mr.McCole attended and was introduced to the newly appointed Trustees.

The question of condensing to some extent the monthly figures prepared by the Secretary was to receive further consideration.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was resolved that the electric wires be placed underground on drive, at an approximate cost of £200. Owing to damage done to the electric light pole by one of the coaches, part of the cost if to be met by Pykes Coaches. Mr.Parkes would look into this.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.35 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.April,1961.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.J.Crouch,
H.L.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary),

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes and J.R.Barrett.

MINUTES. Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The Tractor-Mower had been giving slight trouble. After being checked by F.Irvine and Mr.Robson of the Cumberland Tractors, it was decided that as there was excessive vibration, the manufacturers should overhaul the mower:

(ii) He had interviewed Mr.Hunt, Engineer, Woollahra Municipal Council in company with Mr.Halbert with a view to the Council erecting a curbstone to prevent cars striking the fence in Greycliffe Avenue. Letter from the Council was received by and contents agreed to, by the meeting:

(iii) The Crown Solicitor had suggested in order to avoid any possible question that application be made to the Minister of Justice to exclude Trust dwellings from the application of the Landlord and Tenant Act. He had done this and the Rent Controller, before giving a decision, had detailed an officer to check the necessary details with the Secretary:

(iv) The Secretary had instructed Trust's painter to make notices to be placed upstairs in House and that these notices would be done when the painter returned from annual leave:

(v) Regarding the arrangement that a sub-committee inquire into the conduct and the usefulness or otherwise of the lifesavers, he suggested that the matter be deferred until the opening of the next season. Mr.Rogers asked that the Club inform the Trust each season of the names, addresses and age of each member. This was agreed to:

(vi) He had examined the possibility of curtailing monthly financial statements, as suggested by Mr.Crouch, and was of the opinion that a total of expenses and receipts each month and a full statement every six months be furnished to the Trustees. In addition he had arranged with the Secretary for a full statement of each to be tabled at each meeting should any Trustee require fuller information. This was agreed to.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(i) Manager, Rural Bank, Bondi Junction, thanking Trust for its association with function held in his honour,, was noted.

(ii) Mr.G.Nicol acknowledging Trust's letter and enclosure on behalf of L.A.Hall, was received.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council re improvement of Parking Facilities - Greycliffe Avenue was received. This matter had been dealt with earlier in the meeting:

(iv) Department of Public Works re borer inspection was noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Miller, it was resolved that, instead of purchasing sixteen blocks from Mr.W.Green, Katoomba, the Trust would consider producing a better type of folder. Mr.Yelland and Mr.Lusher were empowered to makeenquiries and report to the meeting. In the meantime, the Secretary was directed to purchase from Mr.Green,500 coloured folders as stocks were running low, if he had them on hand.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/3/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Rogers, accounts paid since March meeting to the value of £927.2.5 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1060.16.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

Regarding the President's suggestion that Nielsen Park be publicised as a picnic ground amongst the Trade Unions,etc. It was resolved that the President communicate with Mr.J.D.Kenny, General Secretary of Unions, and ascertain the best means of establishing contact with the various unions. Further it was resolved that Mr.Crouch inquire from the Direct Mailing Association the cost and best methods of circularising. Mr.Yelland offered to arrange for a notice regarding visits of school children accompanied by teachers to Vaucluse House to be inserted in the Education Gazette,

Mr.Yelland applied for six months' leave of absence during his visit overseas. The President wished him bon voyage and suggested that, should he visit any places comparable to Vaucluse House, he obtain information as to the condition,etc. of these places. Mr.Yelland assured the meeting of his willingness to do this. Leave was granted on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

Mr.Lusher reported that he had attended the function to Mr.O'Rourke, Rural Bank, Bondi Junction, on behalf of the Trustees. He also mentioned that, on the sign putside the Kiosk in outer park, he had noticed a word spelt incorrectly. The Secretary was directed to have this corrected when the painter returned from leave.

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CHAIRMAN.....H Yelland.....SECRETARY.....J Kenny.....

OTHER MATTERS.

The President asked the members to consider the advisability of holding a swimming carnival during the course of the next swimming season.

The Secretary reported that Mr.Parkes who was unable to be present had asked that the following matters be brought to the attention of the meeting:

(i) The paving on western side of the House was completed and he was of the opinion that the stonemason had done a very good job. He suggested that a few tubs with ferns and shrubs would enhance its appearance:

(ii) The quote from Mr.D.Cameron for putting wires underground on gravel drive was £188. The Trust's carpenter was to make switch box and the gardeners were to dig the necessary trenches. This quote was accepted by the meeting. Mr.Lusher suggested that the County Council be approached in the hope that its quote might be lower. The Secretary was instructed to mention this matter to Mr.Parkes:

(iii) He considered that, if the lavender bed was positioned further back from the drive, more room would be made available for vehicles and damage to the rose lawn border obviated:

(iv) In company with Mr.Boustead he had removed from the House six pictures to be renovated as Mr.Boustead deemed necessary.

The Secretary reported that H.Westbrook had requested payment for holidays due to him as a casual employee at Nielsen Park at weekends during the swimming season. The meeting directed the Secretary to procure the necessary information from the Department of Labour and Industry, particularly Trust's liability and the time limit governing retrospective payments. Mr.Miller asked the Secretary, on obtaining the particulars, to inform him on what Act or Award the Department based its view.

A suggestion by Mr.Yelland that a notice giving prominence to Vaucluse House be erected in New South Head Road was considered. It was resolved that the Secretary ask the Woollahra Municipal Council for a larger notice, combining Nielsen Patk and Vaucluse House, to be erected in place of the present sign directing the way to Nielsen Park.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.May,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary),

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers and G.J.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The Tractor-mower had been returned from the manufacturers who had improved its set-up, including two parts that will be on their 1962 model. A nominal charge of £10 had been made for the work. The mower had given no trouble since its return;

(ii) An officer of the Rent Control Board had made another visit since the last meeting and informed the Secretary he would call again on 22nd.May to interview the employee-tenants;

(iii) The Direct Mailing Association had submitted a quote of over £100 for sending out circulars. As this quote was cpnsidered excessive in view of the fact that the Park could not take very many more picnics over the number held each year, the Secretary was directed to thank the Association for their quote and to inform them of Trust's decision.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Mr.J.D.Kenny, Trades and Labour Council , in reply to President's letter re advertising picnic facilities at Nielsen Park through the various Unions. The Secretary was directed to send a circular to the Unions, as suggested by Mr.Kenny. It was agreed that, when the next series of advertisements were broadcast over Station 2 SM before the opening of the swimming season, the picnic facilities be made a feature of the advertising.

(ii) Mr.H.Yelland re printing of Pictorial Souvenir was received.

(iii) Mr.S.Cotter filing a complaint about his wife residing in cottage at Nielsen Park. It was agreed by the meeting that Mr.Cotter be advised that no action could be taken by the Trustees.

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(iv) Cumberland Tractors, re issue of free spare parts valued at £10 in accordance with their policy, was received.

(v) Mrs.McLaren offering a picture of "The Landing of the Anzacs" to Vaucluse House. As the subject matter of this picture dealt with a period much later than Wentworth's, it was resolved that Mrs.McLaren be informed of this and to suggest she communicate with the headmaster of Vaucluse High School who may wish to have the picture.

(vi) The National Trust of Australia re affiliation. On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Barrett, affiliation was agreed to and Mr.Miller was nominated to represent the Trust at meetings of that body.

(vii) Pykes Motor Coaches in reply to President's letter was received.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

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(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business at 30/4/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, accounts paid since April meeting to the value of £1006.10.9 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £845.13.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(i) Much work had been done to all park areas particularly Bottle and Glass, under Mr.Halbert's supervision, and he considered that general improvement was shown;

(ii) The Woollahra Municipal Council had commenced work on fence in Greycliffe Avenue;

(iii) He had asked the Government Stores Department to obtain a bookcase suitable for storing various books in the House and the maps of Trust's property. Whilst inspecting one at the Stores depot had noticed a cedar hallstand which he could procure for the Trust for £3. This was agreed to by the meeting.

(iv) As there were two plaster busts of W.C.Wentworth as well as the marble one in the House he suggested that one of them be presented to the N.S.W.Bar Association for Wentworth Chambers. This was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

(v) As requested he had examined the matter of increasing the amounts included in both Public Liability Insurance Policies. It was suggested that the amount of coverage be increased from the present limit of £10,000 to at least £30,000. The President agreed to attend to this matter.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(vi) Regarding the request for holiday pay for casual work made by H.Westbrook it was resolved that payment be made for the past two seasons to H.Westbrook. This also applied to S.Barnao and S.Walker. Amounts to be finalised by the President.

(vii) The altering of the edge of the drive was considered and the meeting resolved to leave the drive unaltered until the electric wires had been placed underground, the matter then to be re-considered.

Mr.Lusher reported that A.K.Murray Pty.Ltd.considered the quote for sixteen blocks from W.Green,Katoomba, extremely reasonable if they could perhaps be altered to bring them more in oine with present day folders. It was resolved to await the arrival of the blocks when the matter could be further investigated.

Regarding the mantlepieces received from the old Government Printing Office the Secretary was instructed to have these set up for inspection by the next meeting.

On the motion of Mr.Miller, , seconded by Mr.Kelly, the small safe not in use be sold to Mrs.Roch for the sum of £10.10.0 (valued by Government Stores at £10.0.0.)

There was a discussion on the question of the performance of the duties by the Head Gardener.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 12.5. p.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.June,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.J.Crouch,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary),

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

CONFIRMED.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) The officer from the Rent Control Board had interviewed the employee-tenants and the Trust should receive final information shortly regarding the proposed rent increases;

(ii) He had written to S.Cotter, as directed at the previous meeting, but in the meantime the matter had been resolved by Irvine's sister securing accommodation elsewhere;

(iii) The Cedar Hallstand which he had suggested purchasing had been sold before the Government Stores' Officer had made a request for it on the Trust's behalf;

(iv) Regarding the increase of the two Public Liability Policies he had received an answer from the Government Insurance Office. After discussion,it was resolved on the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Parkes, that both policies be increased to a limit of £25,000 respectively instead of the £10,000 as at present. The President agreed to attend to the matter and incidental questions;

(v) Casual holiday pay had as arranged been paid to H.Westbrook, S.Walker and S.Barnao to the total amount of £25.14.6

(vi) As requested, the two fireplaces received from the old Government Printing Office Building had been set up for the Trustees' inspection. He would write thanking the Director of Works for his co-operation.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) Woollahra Municipal Council in reply to Trust's letter regarding street sign, was noted.

(ii) The Post-Graduate Committee in Medicine thanking Trustees for making available, on loan, inlaid table and glass top, was received.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) Miss E.Mitchell, Caulfield,Victoria, re painting of Sir Henry Parkes. It was agreed that the President accept the painting with thanks if a gift was intended.

(iv) Royal Australian Historical Society re boundary stone. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, it was agreed to inform the Society that the Trust would store it.

(v) Pykes Motor Coaches in answer to Trust's letter. The matter was deferred until a reply had been received from Pioneer Coaches.

(vi) Robert Burton Pty.Ltd. re quote for folder. It was resolved to acknowledge the letter and to await the blocks from Green of Katoomba.

(vii) G.R.Frisby, Vaucluse, objecting to trees being planted in beach reserve. The Trustees agreed to inspect the reserve and decide the best course to take.

ECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £603.7.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £609.16.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Crouch.

OTHER MATTERS. (i) A casual labourer had been engaged for about four weeks to assist the stonemason so that the other employees could devote their full time to the garden. This was confirmed by the meeting.

(ii) D.Cameron, electrician, has completed the underground wiring on drive showing a marked improvement:

(iii) T.R.Powell had offered eight tons of gravel at £68 and, as this meant a saving of £6 and the gravel was needed in view of the drive being dug up for electrical wiring the load was accepted. This action was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

(iv) As a large amount of work awaited the painter's attention, the President had inquired of the Comptroller General of Prisons whether some of the Trust's signs could be attended to at Berrima. Providing the Trust provided the necessary materials the Comptroller had agreed to co-operate. It was agreed that these signs be done by the Prisons Department, including one for the beach reserve, the wording of which was submitted to and accepted by the meeting.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(v) An estimated expenditure of approximately £50 for supplying and making curtains and drapes and two honeycomb quilts for the Girls' Bedroom was authorised on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Miller.

(vi) Since the Dog Collar and Wheelbarrow, originally the property of Sir Henry Parkes, and at present on display in the House had little connexion with Wentworth, Mr.Parkes suggested that they be offered to the National Trust for the Sir Henry Parkes' Memorial being established at Tenterfield. This was agreed to by the meeting and was left to Mr.Parkes to arrange.

(vii) As Woollahra Council had previously refused to consider erecting a bus shelter in Wentworth Road to north of Vaucluse House because of lack of funds, Mr.Lusher reported that he had broached the matter to the Vaucluse Branch of the Lions Club and that the Club had made an offer to the Council to construct the shelter. There was some discussion as to where this shelter should be erected and, if so, what type of structure. It was resolved that the Council be requested to discuss the matter with the Trust before any final plans were made.

(viii) Mr.Barrett agreed to ask Nicholson Brothers to consider running a ferry to Nielsen Park on Sundays and during school holidays in the swimming season.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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.....T. Schmidt.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vauclyse House on Sunday, 9th.July,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.J.R.Barrett.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) No information had yet been received from the Justice Department re rents but he understood that the Department was in consultation with the Crown Solicitor for further advice:

(ii) The two fireplaces had been inspected by several of the Trustees after the last meeting and he suggested that Mr.Parkes might advise the Trustees as to whether both fireplaces could be incorporated into the House. This was agreed to:

(iii) He had received another communication from a local resident re planting of trees in beach reserve and he recommended that each alternate tree be removed and some replanted in a group nearer the beach. This recommendation was approved:

(iv) The material for signs had not yet been sent to Berrima Gaol but the matter was receiving attention. He suggested that, as the area surrounding Steel Point fortifications had been cleared, a sign outlining the history of the fort would make this site more interesting to visitors. This was agreed to by the meeting:

(v) The material for curtains and drapes for Girls' Bedroom had not yet arrived.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Eastern Suburbs Ambulance Service requesting annual donation of £5.5.0. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, this was approved.

(ii) The National Trust of Australia acknowledging Trust's letter regarding affiliation, was noted.

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CHAIRMAN.....H.A.Snelling.....SECRETARY.....T.E.Schmude.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) N.S.W.Police Department informing Trust that the Police Military Band would be available on 17th. September,1961.

(iv) N.S.W.Department of Tourist Activities regarding tourist coaches, was received.

(v) Woollahra Municipal Council in regard to bus shelter. It was the general opinion of the members that the shelter would with advantage be located on and within the front alignment of the Park.

(vi) Miss E.Mitchell, Caulfield, Victoria in reply to Trust's letter in reference to portrait of Sir Henry Parkes and informing Trust that as yet no definite decision had been made by the committee of the Austral Salon.

GENERAL BUSINESS. An estimate of £54.1.0 from the Woollahra Municipal Council for paving car entrance in Greycliffe Avenue was accepted on the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Parkes.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/61 was discussed and received.

(ii) Accounts paid since June meeting to the value of £721.0.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1030.5.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. Approval was given to releasing £3000 of the Fixed Deposit at the Rural Bank, leaving a balance of £7500 on deposit.

As Mr.Green, Katoomba had decided not to dispose of blocks, it was resolved that the President communicate with the Government Printer and arrange for Mr.Blight to give consideration to the production of an up-to-date folder of Vaucluse House.

Mr.Lusher reported that he and Mr.Halbert had witnessed a demonstration of the Cranvel "Activeaire" Street Sweeper (price £225.0.0 ) and were of the opinion that a demonstration at Nielsen Park after a large picnic would give a better idea as to its efficiency.

Mr.Rogers suggested that a sign at Nielsen Park entrance be renewed. It was agreed that Mr.Rogers submit a suitable wording for this sign.

As the swimming season was drawing near, Mr.Lusher suggested that the question of season tickets be finalised at the next meeting and the Secretary was directed to place this matter on the agenda for this meeting.

The President reported that in the recent issue of N.S.W.Bar Gazette an acknowledgement with thanks had been made of the plaster bust of W.C.Wentworth received from the Trust.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 10.50 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting of Nielsen-Vaucluse Park Trust held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.August,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.G.J.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) Finality had not yet been reached regarding the rent increases but he believed that the matter would be settled shortly by the Department of Justice:

(ii) Most of the alternate trees had been removed in beach reserve and replanted:

(iii) Curtain and drape materials had been received and he hoped the Girls' Room would be in readiness for the opening of the wistaria season:

(iv) The Council had completed the concrete entrance to Car Park and the work was satisfactory:

(v) A quote of £575 for 5000 coloured Folders had been received from the Government Printer. As the quote seemed unduly high, the Secretary was directed to write to Nucolorvue Productions, a firm recommended by Mr.Gaven of the Tourist Activities, to obtain a price. The President intimated that he would communicate again with the Government Printer:

(vi) The Camp Commandant, Eastern Command Barrackd, regretted that the Band would not be available in September.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Mr.G.Crouch requesting leave of absence for six weeks. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, leave was granted.

(ii) Mrs.Meyer, Ladies Auxiliary, Bankstown District Hospital, re visit of Auxiliary to Vaucluse House, and requesting a reduction for group. The Secretary was directed to inform Mrs.Meyer that it was the policy of the Trust, in the case of charitable organizations, voluntary works and the like, to charge half price for groups comprising twenty or more persons.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) St.Michael's Church of England,Vaucluse, requesting permission for a Carols by Candlelight Service to be conducted on Christmas Eve next. This request was agreed to, details being left to the President.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

(1) Confirmation of engagement of R.White replacing T.Moore, was given on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

(11) Plan of bus shelter was submitted to the meeting and a sub-committee of the President and Messrs.Parkes, Miller and Lusher was deputed to confer after the meeting and to decide the position and construction of the shelter.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(1) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/7/61 was discussed and received.

(11) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £768.19.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £853. 5.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

An offer of stone through the Department of Public Works had been made to the Trust at a cost of £2 per ton delivered to Vaucluse House. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Miller, the Secretary was directed to order twenty tons.

Eight loads of stone of which Trust's staff had taken delivery had been procured free of charge from Subiaco during the month for which the Secretary was commended.

As the boatshed at Nielsen Park was in a very bad condition it was resolved to demolish this and Mr.Parkes to advise the Trust as to the best means of re-organizing the area.

As suggested by Mr.Kenny,Mr.Kenny,M.L.C. eighty circulars had been sent during the past week to the various Unions

As the price of admission to Vaucluse House had not risen since 1955, the question was raised whether the adult admission should be increased to 2/-. After discussion it was resolved to.continue the 1/6 admission fee for the present.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was agreed that the Radio Advertising on Station 2 SM be renewed from the first week in September.

It was resolved that the iron and wooden fences between toilets and Wentworth Road be demolished to enable this section to be opened up, mown and kept in better order.

The question of season tickets was raised and it was resolved that for this season tickets be issued as follows:

Single Adult £3.0.0 for the season.
Single Children (aged six to fifteen inclusive) £1.5.0 for season.
No further family tickets to beissued.

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OTHER MATTERS.

This arrangement will be reviewed at the end of the swimming season. An advertisement informing residents of the above is to be inserted in the local press.

The Secretary reported that, by request of the auditor, the following confirmations which had not been recorded previously, be given.

Fixed Deposit of £2500 placed with Rural Bank on 24th.November,1960.
Approval for Mr.Schmude to act as Trust's official photographer and to place on sale slides of Vaucluse House, the Trust to receive 1/- commission on each slide as from 1st.February,1961.
Coloured Folders were reduced in price from 3/- to 2/- as from 10th.April,1961.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.September,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.Parkes,Miller, Crouch and Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) Mr.Halbert had been indisposed for the past week but his condition was improving. It was agreed that the President write to Mr.Halbert on behalf of the Trustees wishing him a speedy recovery.

(ii) He had received a quotation from Nucolorvue Productions for folders, which he had passed on to the Government Printer for the purpose of ascertaining whether he could print coloured folders for the Trust on a comparable basis. Failing that, he was of the opinion that the Nucolorvue Productions quote would be a satisfactory one.

(iii) The fence between toilets and Wentworth Road had not yet been removed but he expected the work to be carried out this coming week.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Report and Balance Sheet from Auditor-General. This was received and tabled.

(ii) Department of Lands acknowledging Annual Report was noted.

(iii) Australian Workers' Union requesting that a conference be held between the Trustees and Union. It was decided that the President communicate with the Union asking that they indicate the nature of the proposed agenda.

GENERAL BUSINESS. (i) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, engagement of M.Maltby and M.Strobofski replacing White and Freestone at Vaucluse Park was confirmed.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the purchase of a Spray Unit at a cost of £79.19.3 was ratified.

(iii) Appreciation was expressed of Irvine's work in making attachments for tractor.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/8/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £1096.0.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1025.4.4 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, purchase of Cedar Bookcase for Constitution Room at a cost of £45 was confirmed.

Mr.Barrett furnished names of persons in charge of the news section on Sydney Morning Herald, Sun, Daily Mirror, Eastern Suburbs News and Courier and suggested that the Secretary contact these people requesting that they make mention of the Band Recital at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 17th.September,1961. Mr.Rogers informed the meeting that he would arrange for a mention of the recital over the radio during the Monitor Session.

Mr.Lusher suggested that the window frames in front section of coachhouse be painted and the Secretary was directed to have this work attended to.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, a quote of £40 for cutting four holes in rock at Nielsen Park to strengthen the nets was accepted.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 10.35 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....:SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.October,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
J.A.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
F.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months:

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| President: | Mr.H.A.Snelling. |
| Vice-President: | Mr.C.Parkes. |
| Treasurer: | Mr.J.A.Kelly. |

The President thanked the Trustees for re-electing him and for their friendly co-operation and support during the past twelve months which was most appreciated.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) As requested at previous meeting, he had sent a letter of appreciation to F.Irvine,Foreman, Nielsen Park.

(ii) As no reply had been received from the Government Printer regarding folders, he had requested the Secretary to contact Mr.Layte, of the Government Printing Office and, if the quote from this Department was not on a comparable basis with Nucolorvue Productions, he suggested that folders be ordered from this firm.

(iii) The iron and wooden fence between toilets and Wentworth Road had been removed and had improved that area.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Nielsen Park Life Saving Club informing Trustees of their office bearers during 1961/62 season. Mr.Halbert had asked for a list of members and their addresses.

(ii) Australian Workers' Union in answer to Trust's letter. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, a sub-committee was formed, consisting of the President, Messrs.Kelly and Miller, to investigate the matter under discussion, to confer with the Union if necessary and to report the result of their investigations.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) Police Department informing Trust that the Department would provide the necessary Police supervision during the wistaria season.

(iv) St.Marks, Brighton-le-Sands, requesting refund of £1.0.0 for cancellation of pavilion booking. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Rogers, the refund was agreed to.

(v) Minister for Justice re rental increases of Trust's propertios. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Lusher, the question of increases was deferred, pending the outcome of consideration of conditions of employment generally.

GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, engagement of E.Janek replacing M.StroBobski at Vaucluse Park was confirmed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £1215.1.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £745.16.6 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.R.Ricketts, an antique dealer of Penrith, presented to the House two Pewter Meat Covers, One Vase and one Blue Bedroom Jug and Basin. The Secretary had written a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Trust.

It was resolved to replant the nine trees recently destroyed by vandals in the beach reserve. Mr.Rogers suggested that mesh wire be attached to the present tree guards.

Confirmation was given to the release of £2000 Fixed Deposit now leaving a balance of £4500 on Fixed Deposit.

Mr.Crouch mentioned that the Wentworth Memorial Church anticipated holding a function and asked whether there was a possibility of holding it in Vaucluse Kiosk. Mr.Barrett informed the meeting that a committee had been formed to arrange a presentation to Sgt.Coates on his retirement from the Police Force and that it had been suggested that this be held at the Vaucluse Kiosk. Though it was not the general practice to have functions at the Kiosk, it was agreed that, in the special circumstances, the Trustees were prepared to consent, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Mr.McCole, the Kiosk proprietor.

The Secretary's comments as to the garden were noted. The President stated his views and would keep the Trustees advised as to the position.

It was resolved that the President should submit proposals for reconditioning the Constitution Room.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.November,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.E.S.Miller.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) As the Government Printer was unable to print the Coloured Folders at a price competitive with the quote received from Nucolorvue Productions, he considered the order should now be placed with the latter. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the Secretary was directed to order 6000 at 14/- per dozen. The President agreed to look into the question of postcards.

(ii) The Administrator of Parks of the Lands Department had informed him that the Department was at present in conference with the Australian Workers' Union and had suggested that the Trust withhold any decisions pending result of the talks.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Committee for Testimonial to Sgt.Norman Coates. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was agreed to donate £5.5.0 to the testimonial in recogntion of his assistance to the Trust during his term of office at Vaucluse and to invite the Sergeant to meet the Trust at the conclusion of the Trust's February meeting.

(ii) Mr.Bernard Smith, University of Melbourne, re reproduction of painting of "Mrs.Piper and her Family". On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly his request was granted.

(iii) The Cumberland County Council regarding Historic Buildings Plaques. It was resolved that the President inform the Council that the Trust would accede to the request in principle but the location of the plaque and the wording to be subject to Trust's approval.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Sydney Ferries re time table for ferries to Nielsen Park during 1961/62 season was noted.

(v) Government Transport Department regarding express bus service to Nielsen Park. It was left to the President to discuss this matter with the Department.

(vi) Mr.A.K.Beer re installing of trampoline at Nielsen Park was received.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at 31/10/61 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Crouch, accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £1007.2.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £874.1.5 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

OTHER MATTERS.

It was noted that the Lion's Club had begun work on bus shelter at entrance to Vaucluse Park in Wentworth Road.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Crouch , the amount of £10 was to be paid to Mr.Schmude to cover outlay of producing slides for coloured folders.

Mr.Lusher reported that, on behalf of the Trustees, he had entertained a member of the State Legislature of Hawaii at Vaucluse House. He also requested leave of absence for the December meeting. Leave was granted.

Mr.Crouch informed the meeting that the Woollahra Municipal Council could procure brush box trees at a heighth of 4' to 5' for the beach reserve at a cost of 14/6 each. The Secretary was directed to order ten trees and to convey the Trust's thanks to Mr.Cox, the head gardener of the Council.

The purchase of a brass oil-lamp and fender for the Constitution Room at a total cost of £9.10.0 was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

It was resolved to put into stock "Fauna and Flora" by Mr.C.V.Nathan to sell at 2/- each, the Trust to receive 6d.commission on each book.

Pursuant to a motion regarding articles for the Tenterfield Museum the Secretary reported that the Dog Collar and Wheelbarrow had been handed to a representative of the Museum Committee.

Mr.Parkes requested that the matter of improving the wistaria at the House should be given early consideration and it was decided to contact the head gardener of the Parramatta Hospital with a view to obtaining advice.

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CHAIRMAN.....H. Lusher, SECRETARY.....T. Schmude

OTHER MATTERS.

It was agreed tnat the covering on main staircase be renewed and the matter was left in the hands of Mr.Parkes.

The question of removal of partition in upstairs hall and opening up spiral staircase was discussed and stood over until next meeting.

The Secretary was requested to arrange to have the Laundry cleaned.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

(i) Confirmation of engagement of R.Cheetham for three weeks during M.Wilkinson's annual leave was given on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.50 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.December,1961 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.B.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
G.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.R.Barrett, P.Lusher and H.Yelland.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) The appropriate slides for folders together with instructions had been forwarded to Nucolorvue Productions during the past week.

(ii) He had checked the cost of having coloured postcards printed through Nucolorvue Productions - the cost would be 4½d each and cards could be sold for 9d each. The matter was deferred until the Nucolorvue Productions had replied to Trust's letter regarding folders.

(iii) As requested at previous meeting, he had written to the Government Transport Department suggesting one express bus to Nielsen Park on Sundays and holidays during the swimming season.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Austenham Road Methodist Sunday School requesting refund of pavilion booking of £7.10.0 because of cancellation of picnic due to bad weather. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the refund was agreed to.

(ii) St.Phillips,Eastwood, requesting refund of deposit of £2.10.0 on pavilion booking owing to cancellation of picnic. On the motion of Mr.Parkes seconded by Mr.Crouch, the request was granted.

(iii) Department of Lands informing Trust that Annual Grant of£4500 had been credited to Trust's account in the Rural Bank on 5th.December,1961. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Rogers, it was resolved that the question of seeking an increase of subsidy be considered . It wasfurther agreed that Mr.Parkes prepare a case outlining the need for such increase because of higher maintenance costs of Trust's properties and keener competition with other swimming pools resulting in reduced patrinage of Nielsen Park.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Christmas Card from Mayor of Woollahra Municipal Council. In acknowledging the Mayor's greetings it was agreed that the Mayor, Town Clerk and Engineer be entertained by the Trust early in the New Year in recognition of their co-operation with the Trust.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Mr.Parkes reported that the Berry Coach would be returned to Vaucluse House by the Technical College on Tuesday,12th.inst. at 11 a.m., and that the College had arranged a ceremony for the occasion. It was resolved that Mr.Parkes receive the Coach on behalf of the Trustees and that the amount of approximately £12.0.0 be endorsed to cover cost of hiring horses and coachman for the occasion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was discussed and received.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30th.November, 1961 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £890.9.1 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £718.3.3 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Rogers.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) As requested he had discussed with a representative of the Government Insurance Office several aspects of the existing insurance coverages. Mr.Perkins, an officer of the Government Insurance Office had visited the House on Thursday, 7th.inst. and will communicate with the Trust regarding these in the near future.

(ii) He had drawn the attention of Mr.Hunter, Olola Avenue, to the dumping of rubbish in Vaucluse Park. Mr.Hunter had admitted partial responsibility and had had the rubbish removed during last week.

The advisability of slating roofs of Carpenter's Store, Dairy and Larder was considered and it was agreed that, as this was a costly job, it be held in abeyance until further funds were available.

Mr.Parkes was asked to inspect the spiral staircase after the meeting and to advise the Trust whether,in the near future, this stairway could be opened for the public. He was asked also to advise on the removal of the partition in the corridor leading to the spiral staircase.

The question of the removal of barrier in First Bedroom was referred to Mr.Parkes and Mr.Kelly for their recommendation.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

As the meeting considered it out of keeping with the function of a coachhouse to try to seal it from dust, the Secretary was directed to arrange that the coaches be cleaned regularly to prevent deterioration as in the past.

The information regarding the wistaria obtained by the Secretary was discussed. It was decided that the head gardener prune and fertilize the vine to see whether this would improve flowering.

Unless any urgent matter arose no meeting would be held in January,1962.

The President suggested that the Trust's thanks to Mr.Halbert and Mrs.Schmude for their services and co-operation during 1961 be recorded. This was unanimously agreed to.

MEETING CLOSED.

Mutual good wishes for the approaching Christmas season were exchanged and the meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....H.R.Halbert.....SECRETARY.....L.Schmude.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.February,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

The President welcomed the return of Mr.Yelland.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from Messrs.J.Rogers and G.Crouch.

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) Up to the date of the meeting the proof of the folder had not been received from Nucolorvue Productions:

(ii) Since the December meeting, he had escorted the Administrator of Parks, Mr.Stanley, over both Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks pointing out many works that could be done, if only money were available. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved that the President write to the Under Secretary of Lands requesting an increase of £2500 in the annual grant. It was left to the President to make the necessary submission.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) The Minister for Government Transport regretting that the Department was unable to run the express bus service from Central Station to Nielsen Park on Sundays and Public Holidays during the swimming season.

(ii) Austenham Road Methodist Sunday School thanking Trust for refund of pavilion booking.

(iii) National Trust requesting permission to photograph Vaucluse House for an exhibition to be held in May,1962. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, this permission was granted.

(iv) National Trust in reference to a lecture to be delivered by the Earl of Euston on 8th.March,1962. It was agreed that the President invite the Earl to visit Vaucluse House during his stay in Sydney.

(v) Royal Australian Historical Society informing the Trust that the two coaches housed by the Trust on their behalf were now insured by the Society for the sum of £1500.



CHAIRMAN H.A.Snelling ..... SECRETARY T.E.Schmude .....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(vi) Vaucluse Progress Association regarding decision of choosing Trust as its beneficiary. The President agreed to reply and thank the Association for their gesture.

(vii) Mr.G.Crouch re larrikinism in Nielsen Park enclosure. After full discussion it was resolved that the President communicate with Mr.Crouch so that Mr.Crouch might report to the Mayor and Aldermen the Trustees' views on the complaint.

(viii) State Crown Solicitor re damage to Nielsen Park fence by R.Stanford.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

The advisability of Trust's taking over balance due on electric stove at Steel Pt.coattage was considered. The Secretary was directed to inform Mrs.Wunsch that the Trustees did not wish to assume this responsibility.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/1/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since December meeting to the value of £983.4.1 and £1280.5.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £893.13.6 and £1075.15.9 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:

(i) In accordance with the Minutes of a previous meeting, he had agreed that an aqua-lung be purchased at a cost of £47.11.0 and that one of the Nielsen Park Lifesavers was making a weekly inspection of the nets. The Secretary was instructed to confer with the Government Insurance Office regarding coverage for this inspection. Purchase was confirmed.

(ii) Three signs to be placed at Steel Point, Vaucluse Beach Reserve and the entrance to Nielsen Park respectively had been received from the Comptroller of Prisons.

(iii) He had conferred with Mr.Yelland regarding the books and documents in Vaucluse House. Mr.Yelland had kindly consented to review books and records of the Trust to establish library and appropriate archives.

It was agreed to instal electricity in upper corridor of House. Mr.Parkes was asked to inspect the corridor and to advise the Trust on the most suitable type of lighting and generally what might be done in that portion of the building.

The Secretary was directed to ask Mr.Rogers whether the Police Department would place a notice in Vaucluse Road where two accidents had occurred recently, or whether it was advisable for Woollahra Council to regrade this bend in the road.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

As there was a surplus of 150 lockers at Nielsen Park the Secretary was directed to negotiate with the Department of Technical Education for possible disposal.

The question of tourist coaches entering the gravel drive was held in abeyance.

It was agreed that the track in Nielsen Park leading past the foreman's cottage be improved. The matter was left in the hands of Mr.Halbert.

The question of the foreman's salary at Nielsen Park was left to the President who agreed to confer with him and report at the next meeting.

Mr.Parkes reported that:

(i) He and Mr.Kelly had inspected the barrier in First Bedroom. They recommended that no change be made at present.

(ii) As the saddle in coachhouse had not belonged to the Wentworth family and was out of keeping,he considered it should be removed. The Secretary was instructed to find out by whom it had been presented to the House.

(iii) The Berry Coach had been returned by the Technical College in an impressive ceremony on 12th.December,1961. The Principal of the College had advised the Secretary on the best way of preserving the Coach.

(iv) During the past week he had inspected the damaged pillar at the entrance to Olola Avenue. It seemed that the balls on the top of this and two other pillars were a danger if knocked by tourist coaches. It was agreed that the Trustees inspect these pillars and decide at the next meeting.

(v) He had suggested to the stonemason proposed alterations to drive be now proceeded with.

(vi) The cost of covering the main stairway in grey Vinyl as per sample presented to the meeting was £53.0.0. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett this quote was accepted.

The President complimented Mr.Barrett on the successful evening organised under his chairmanship for the presentation to Sgt.Coates.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 12 o'clock.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.March,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland.
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.G.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

(i) As there had been no advice from Nucolorvue Productions regarding the proof for folders, the Secretary had written asking that the proof be forwarded as soon as possible.

(ii) On Tuesday, 12th.February, the President and Mr.Parkes had accompanied Lord Euston through Vaucluse House and gardens. Lord Euston had shown considerable interest.

(iii) Of the three signs returned from the Gaol, one had been erected at Steel Point and the foreman of Nielsen Park was preparing the other two for erection.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Mr.G.Crouch acknowledging President's letter regarding larrikinism at Nielsen Park. He also requested leave of absence for eight weeks during his absence overseas. Leave was granted.

(ii) E.M.I.Ltd. asking to reproduce a photograph of Vaucluse House on the cover of contemplated cover of 12" L.P.record called "The Wild Colonial Boy", and informing Trust that any credit that the Trust wished would be given. Permission was granted.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council drawing attention to the enclosed letter from Mr.L.Gruzman about the state of the tip at Nielsen Park. The meeting agreed that Mr.Lusher communicate with the Woollahra Council to see what arrangements could be made in regard to removal of rubbish at Nielsen Park. In the meantime, the President would acknowledge Mr.Gruzman's letter, regarding the condition of the tip and informing him that the Trust in conjunction with the Council were taking steps to deal with this problem.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

(iv) Messrs.A.W.M.Dickinson & Son claiming compensation for injury suffered by Anthony Butler in swimming enclosure. It was resolved that the letter be forwarded to the Government Insurance Office and a copy thereof to the Crown Solicitor.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, approval was given to purchase an electric stove for £44.5.0 to be installed at Steel Point cottage.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 28/2/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since February meeting to the value of £817.6.1 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £830.2.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:-

(i) The construction of kerbing round gravel drive bed was well under way and that the turfing adjacent to carpenter's store had been completed:

(ii) He had spent considerable time in choosing wall papers,etc. for the renovation of the Constitution Room and the approximate cost (apart from labour) would be in the vicinity of £75. Approval of this expenditure was given on the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Barrett, and also to proceed with Morning Room and other rooms as necessary.

(iii) As regards the work yard area at Nielsen Park he felt that this work should be done this coming winter. Mr.Parkes consented to submit a plan for complete reorganisation of this area.

(iv) As the steel plates on wharf at Nielsen Park had rusted badly and were staining the paint work, he had written to the Maritime Services Board requesting that these be attended to.

(v) The executive members of the Vaucluse branch of the Lions Club would be formally handing over the bus shelter erected by them for the Trust after this meeting and, after the ceremony, would be the guests of the Trustees at refreshments to mark the Trustees' appreciation for this service.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the advice given by Mr.Parkes in regard to removal of balls and supports on three pillars at the Olola Avenue entrance was agreed to.

Mr.Yelland reported that he had taken one bundle of documents and was seeking advice from the appropriate quarter as to how the Trust's records should be filed.

On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the increment of remuneration of foreman,F.Irvine, as outlined in the Secretary's Report was approved.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.April,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

CONFIRMED.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The three signs made by the Prisons Department have already been erected and a fourth sign, delivered by the Gaol last week will be erected in due course.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:

(i) E.M.I.Ltd. thanking Trust for permission to photograph Vaucluse House for use on cover of L.P.1" record.

(ii) Mr.P.Lusher re interview with Woollahra Municipal Council in reference to garbage from Nielsen Park. On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the President's recommendation of a new tip site was adopted and the Secretary was instructed to make enquiries about the most suitable solution with which to spray garbage to prevent infestation by flies.

(iii) Government Insurance Office acknowledging Trust's letter re Anthony Butler was noted.

(iv) Lord Euston thanking the President for escorting him through Vaucluse House and grounds, was received.

(v) Mr.A.Twigg's complaint of incident concerning employee at Nielsen Park. The President informed the meeting that Sid Walker (Trust's labourer) had already advised him of the incident and that he would reply suitably to Mr.Twigg.

(vi) N.S.W.Exchange Teachers' Club re appreciation of visit to Vaucluse House and Kiosk was noted.

(vii) Mr.D.T.Simpson re Kiosk and suggested turnstile at Nielsen Park and President's reply thereto was received.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On themotion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, approval of purchase of Speedomet Rotary Mower for £42.10.0 was given.

This is page one of Minutes of Meeting held on 8th.April,1962.

CHAIRMAN..... SEC'TARY.....

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/3/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since last meeting to the value of £779.13.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to the value of £1008.18.2in the case of Vaucluse Section was confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

OTHER MATTERS. It was agreed that, as the Technical College had expressed a desire to have the side saddle,(now housed in the coachhouse), when their building was complete, the matter be left in the hands of Mr.Parkes to attend to in due course.

Mr.Yelland reported that, as a result of talks with Mr.Richardson and the archivist of the Mitchell Library, both had expressed their willingness to accompany him to Vaucluse House at a future date. Mr.Yelland also asked that box files be supplied when needed and the meeting agreed to authorise expenditure up to £10 for this purpose.

Mr.Parkes asked that the hydrangeas be cut back, sothat the path leading from bridge in northern section of garden could be used. He suggested that the support, at present under one limb of the large magnolia tree, be renewed. These matters were left in the hands of the President.

The Secretary presented the photo of the late Mr.Wurth which Mrs.wurth had supplied. It was decided that the Secretary endeavour to prpcure photos and biographical details of all past Presidents so that a record might be compiled for the archives.

The President reported that he had instructed the Secretary to write to (a) Nucolorvue Productions to ascertain, whether they would be interested in printing the folder if better slides were provided (b) Mr.Green, Katoomba, asking that he reconsider the question of the Trust purchasing photographic blocks and, if so, where they could be inspected )c) Mr.Layt, Government Printing Office, re original quote last September for printing 5000 coloured folders. The Secretary reported that Mr.Layt had informed her that the quote given included use of Trust's slides, touched up by the Government Printer to ensure clearer reproduction. However, as six months had elapsed since the first quote was given and prices had altered since then, a new request to the Government Printer would be necessary.

The Trustees requested the President to investigate Mrs.Schmude's application for increase in salary and make a recommendation.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

Date ..... P. J. Smith

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.May,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
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P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes,J.H.Rogers, and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

The President reported that:-

(i) During the month he had escorted Mr.Crawford, Governor of Long Bay Gaol through Nielsen Park, showing him the erected signs which had been done by his Department and other signs which needed renewing in the future:-

(ii) He had come across a quotation in Mr.C.Bertie's book which aptly described the Cobstitution Room and he felt that a reference to this quotation could be placed in a prominent position in that room when renovations were completed. This was agreed to by the meeting:-

(iii) Mr.Green, Katoomba, had contacted the Secretary informing her that he did not wish to dispose of blocks for coloured folders:-

(iv) The Government Printer would use Trust's slides if the printing of folder was handed by that Department but that they would retouch the slides to suit their own requirements. As it was six months since the first quote was presented a new quote would have to be given.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mrs.E.Wilson forwarding photo and details of her late husband as requested by the Trust. It was agreed to acknowledge Mrs.Wilson's letter with thanks and that the Secretary communicate withthe Daily Telegraph re further details of Mr.Wilson.

(ii) Nucolorvue Productions informing Trust that if better slides were available they would reconsider printing folder.



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GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, approval was given to the purchase of Circular Saw and Motor at a cost of £31.5.5/

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/4/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since April meeting to the value of £756.9.11 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £934.13.3 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Miller suggested that historical pilgrimages to the House could be arranged to create greater interest in the House by the public. It was resolved that the matter be reconsidered when the renovations were completed.

A representative of the Department of the Navy had inspected the hospital road accompanied by Mr.Halbert. He informed Mr.Halbert that he would recommend having the road sealed but that the clearing of the lantana was the Trust's responsibility. Mr.Barrett suggested that the Department of Agriculture would be able to advise the Trust as to the best means of eradicating the lantana from various sections of Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks and the Secretary was directed to get in touch with this Department.

On the motion of Mr.Yelland, seconded by Mr.Miller, it was decided to continue the radio advertising for the next three months, the matter to be reviewed at the completion of this time.

The President reported his interview with the Secretary following her application for an increase in salary. On his recommending that the Secretary's salary be increased to £21 per week, subject to basic wage adjustments, and such recommendation to take effect as from 1st.April, the approximate date of her application, the recommendation was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.June,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
P.Lusher,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.R.Barrett, G.Crouch, J.H.Rogers, H.Yelland.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. A new quote for coloured Folders would be sought from the Government Printer as soon as possible.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following :-

(i) Eastern Suburbs Ambulance Service requesting annual donation of £5.5.0. On themotion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, approval of the dohation was given.

(ii) Holroyd Municipality re old cannon at Mays Hill Reserve. As the Municipal Council cannot see its way clear to remove cannon from its present site, the Secretary was requested to contact the Royal Historical Society or the Mains Road Board to ascertain the whereabouts of the original cannons from Dawes Point Battery..

(iii) Mrs.Gudsell re sideboard, original property of Captain Piper.

GENERAL BUSINESS. The renewal of drain adjacent to carpenter's store was agreed to after the Trustees made an inspection of that area.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £667.7.3in the case of Nielsen Park and to £790.2.9 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN.....H.A.Snelling....SECRETARY.....T.E.Schmude.....

OTHER MATTERS.

The President reported that:-

(i) A number of canna bulbs had been collected from Centennial Park and were being planted at western side of verandah adjacent to the "white bed".

(ii) The stonemason had been ill since he returned from annual leave. Owing to his advanced years, it would be wise for the Trustees to consider the question of obtaining another stonemason when he retires, as there was aconsiderable amount of stone work tp be done.

(iii) Mr.Stelling of Roseville had offered to Vaucluse House a harp which he believed was once the ~~original~~ property of the original Mrs.W.C.Wentworth. Mr.Miller offered to inspext the harp and report at the next meeting.

MEETING CLOSED. Themeeting closed at 11.30 a. m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.July,1962.

PRESENT. Messrs. H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
C.Parkes,
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. An apology was received from Mr.P.Lusher.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING. FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(1) The Secretary had been in touch with a photographer who would bring extra lighting to the House in order that new slides could be taken for reproduction in coloured folder:

(11) As mentioned in the Secretary's Report, the 12" earthenware pipes were being laid in drain adjcaent to toilets in Vaucluse Park and 6" pipes were being used for drain at southern end of park. The cost in all would be £133.9.0. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, this was approved.

Mr.Miller reported that he had been in communication with Mr.Stelling of Roseville and that he would be making an inspection of the harp in the near future.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Police Department informing Trust that the Police Military Band would give a recital in Vaucluse Park on Sunday, 23rd.September,1961.

(ii) Mr.L.McCabe, 200 Guildford Road, Guildford, offering the Trust a reference written by Fitzwilliam Wentworth in 1883. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the reference with thanks, informing Mr.McCabe that it would be placed in the archives of Vaucluse House.

(iii) Messrs.Lyell M.Morris Pty.Ltd. submitting a quote of £515.0.0 for supplying materials and undertaking repairs and additions to swimming enclosure. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Rogers,it was agreed to obtain further quotes and to proceed with the work before opening of the swimming season.

(iv) Sir Edward Hallstrom, Director of the Ashton Park Trust thanking the President for escorting the members of this Trust over Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Parkes, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since last meeting to the value of £797.3.1 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £875.0.1 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS? The President reported that:-

(i) The Constitution Room had been completed. The materials had cost £92.10.0 plus wages for Trust's staff. It was agreed that the President express appreciation to the carpenter and painter for the manner in which the work was carried out. On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was decided that the Family Dining Room be the next room to be renovated and that the President and Mr.Parkes give consideration in due course to this renovation.

(ii) As Mr.Parkes was about to attain the age of seventy, this would be his last meeting as a Trustee. He, the President, hoped however that the Trust might have the benefit of Mr.Parkes' services as a Counsellor. Furthermore, he considered it fitting that the Trustees' appreciation of Mr.Parkes sterling work as a Trustee should be placed on record. This was agreed to unanimously. After Mr.Kelly had also spoken of the inestimable value of Mr.Parkes' services the Trustees expressed their pleasure when Mr.Parkes agreed to accept the position of Counsellor.

Mr.Parkes submitted a plan of the rebuilding of workshop at Nielsen Park and this work would commence within the next month.

It was agreed that Mr.Barrett and Mr.Halbert confer as to the resurfacing of the hospital road,etc.

A decision as to reviewing admission charges to Vaucluse House was deferred until June of next year.

Mr.Yelland suggested that perhaps the parking areas at Nielsen Park be opened more often during the swimming season. Action in accordance with Mr.Yelland's suggestion was left in the hands of Mr.Halbert.

The President handed to Mr.Parkes a silver teapot which had been presented to the House some years ago. As it did not belong originally to W.C.Wentworth but to Sir Henry Parkes, he felt that its proper place was in the Parkes' family and that it was out of place in Vaucluse House. The Trustees agreed.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Yelland reported the progress made with the classification of Vaucluse House documents and outlined briefly the system he had employed and the lists he had prepared.

Mr.Barrett informed the Trustees that he had the Sports Carnival in mind and that some function might be arranged for November when it was expected that the Olympic Team members would be in Sydney.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

This is page three of Minutes of Meeting held on Sunday, 8th.July,1962.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.August,1962.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland.
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes (Counsellors) were also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers and G.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

Mr.Jurd had communicated with the Secretary informing her that he did not wish to tender for renewal of piles at Nielsen Park. The Secretary had then got in touch with White and Company, who had been recommended by the Maritime Services Board, and his quote was £275. As this quote was given by 'phone, the Secretary had asked that it be confirmed in writing. On themotion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, it was resolved that, if the written quote embraced the necessary work, it be accepted.

On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, ~~the~~ Mr.Parkes was formally appointed a Counsellor.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) The Business and Professional Women's Club requesting information regarding functions of the Trust for their Research Committee. The President reported that he had acknowledged the letter, furnishing the necessary information.

(ii) Ashton Park Trustees acknowledging copies of notices.

(iii) Australian Camellia Research Society forwarding copies of March and June "Camellia News" and acknowledging receipt of subscription. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Yelland, the annual subscription of £1.1.0 to this Society was approved.

(iv) Competition Committee, Historic Buildings Committee, re entires in the forthcoming competition. It was agreed that the President communicate with the Committee to ascertain what category Vaucluse House would come under and if an entrance fee was necessary.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(v) "Authority to Operate" Form from Rural Bank to obtain Trustees' signatures.

(vi) Fire Brigade Commission setting out conditions for lighting fires at Nielsen Park and recommending an incinerator for the burning of papers,etc. The Secretary was instructed to ask a representative from Goodrid Ltd. to confer with Mr.Halbert as to the best type of incinerator.

(vii) Pfaff Machine Company, Germany, asking that the Trust sell the old sewing machine to them for their Museum in Kaiserslautern. The Secretary informed the meeting that she had already written requesting the date of the machine and what price they were prepared to offer.

GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Lusher, confirmation was given to the permanent engagement of R.Cheetham at Vaucluse Park from 1st.December,1961 and the disposal of old piano from No.4 Pavilion. These confirmations were required for auditing purposes.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/7/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Lusher, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £863.8.11 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £809.6.1 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:-

(i) He had procured aGeorgian reproduction chandelier for the Constitution Room at a cost of £16.0.0. Approval was given on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Yelland.

(ii) Mr.Broadfoot, Under Secretary for Lands, had visited the House since the last meeting and had expressed his interest and pleasure in the work being done by the Trustees in maintaining Vaucluse House and grounds.

(iii) He had arranged for Mr.Blom, plumber, to eliminate seepage in the wine cellars. The necessary drainage had been done at a cost of approximately £25.0.0. Approval of this was given on the motion of Mr.Yelland, seconded by Mr.Barrett,

Irvine's request for two rotary mowers was discussed and it was resolved that the matter be dealt with by Mr.Lusher, who was empowered to confer with the engineer of the Woollahra Municipal Council if necessary.

Regarding the installation of electricity in No.4 Pavilion it was resolved that the President interview the electrician, Mr.Cameron, and discuss the matter with him.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Barrett suggested that as the increased attendances at Vaucluse House were no doubt due in a large measure to the radio advertising, it might be advisable to advertise through another radio advertising station as well as Station 2 SM. It was decided that the Trustees should keep this question in mind. He also suggested that the Secretary write to Mr.Fergus Canny asking that he visit the House and advise the Trust as to the best means of equipping the wine cellars, and this was agreed to.

Mr.Yelland reported that he had inspected the Constitution Room and thought that the pictures were improved by being hung lower. He pointed out ~~that~~ the poor state of the Ballroom floor and it was decided that he contact Mr.Magennis from Thatcher and Oberg with a view to obtaining advice on the matter.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

This is page three of Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.August,1962.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.September,1962.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair)
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes and G.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:

(i) White and Co.had agreed to complete the work as to piles at Nielsen Park by 17th.September for the sum of £275.

(ii) He had written to the National Trust regarding the Historic Buildings competition as to classification of Vaucluse House.

(iii) Mr.Lusher had attended to the matter of the purchase of a 24" Deutscher Rotary Mower from Scott Bonnar at a cost of £152, less trade-in on old Auto Scythe. This was approved on the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Yelland. The mower had proved very satisfactory.

(iv) He had discussed with the electrician,Mr.Cameron, the proposed installation of electricity in No.4 Pavilion and, after the consultation, had communicated with the County Council,suggesting that they extend the electricity from Council's own main to an adjacent pole. No reply had yet been received.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mr.A.Vockler informing Trust that he would be unable to continue swimming lessons at Nielsen Park. It was agreed that Mr.Barrett confer with Mr.Maddocks of Redleaf Pool and, if able to make suitable arrangements, inform the Secretary accordingly.

(ii) Mr.Fergus Canny re equipment for cellars was noted.

(iii) Report and Balance Sheet from Auditor-General's Department was received.

(iv) Department of Lands acknowledging Annual Report.

(v) Goodrid Ltd.quoting £1395 for incinerator.The matter was held in abeyance for further consideration.

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CHAIRMAN.....H.A.Snelling..... SECRETARY.....T.E.Schmude.....

GENERAL BUSINESS.

On themotion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Miller, the amount of £275.12.0 paid to J.Cameron for long service leave, was approved. Though J.Cameron had been in Trust's employ for only seventeen years, payment was made for twenty years. Mr.Parkes had suggested that he receive this in consideration of excellent service given to the Trust. This was approved unanimously. It was resolved that a small bronze plaque be erected in appreciation of Cameron's work as a stonemason.

The engagement of A.Sullivan replacing S.Barnao at Nielsen Park and F.Poole replacing the stonemasom, J.Cameron, was approved on the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Rogers.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The S cretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/8/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £1317.17.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1113.6.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The report from Mr.Yelland regarding the repairing of the ballroom floor was read and it was agreed that the work be carried out by Thatcher and Oberg during November. (Messrs.Parkes and Yelland to arrange).

Mr.Barrett agreed to contact Mr.Melloco regarding repairs to tiles in corridor of House and Mr.Norman Rydge re carpet for ballroom.

On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Yelland, it was agreed that an additional attendant be employed at the House on busy Sundays and Public Holidays at a cost of £2.13.0 per day.

Mr.Yelland brought to notice the state of guttering in front of House and four dead trees in outer park.

Mr.Lusher suggested that if growth of the wistaria had been retarded through lack of water, a sprinkler system be considered so that the vines might be watered constantly. It was agreed that the matter be discussed at the next meeting.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.October,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.E.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes (Counsellors) were also present.

The President welcomed Mr.G.A.Kiernan and expressed the hope that his association with the Trust would be a happy one.

APOLOGY.

An apology was received from Mr.J.H.Rogers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months:-

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| President. | Mr.H.A.Snelling. |
| Vice-President. | Mr.J.A.Kelly. |
| Treasurer. | Mr.J.R.Barrett. |

MINUTES.

Mr.Lusher drew attention to the wording in the Minutes regarding an additional attendant at Vaucluse House on busy Sundays and Public Holidays. The wording was to read, "the Secretary to report those willing to work on Sundays". The Minutes were then confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:

(i) The County Council had replied to his letter regarding the electricity to be installed in the Halbert Pavilion. The cost estimated was aprroximately £34, plus the amount charged by electrician for the work he would have to do. It was resolved, on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, that the work be put in hand.

(ii) As requested at the last meeting, he had had the bronze plaque made and it had been erected on the wall at northern section of garden. J.Cameron, the stonemason, would meet the Trustees after the present meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Eli Lilly requesting refund of pavilion booking of £8.0.0. On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the request was granted.

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CORRESPONDENCE. (ii) Pfaff Machine Company re sewing machine. It was agreed that they be informed that the matter be deferred for the present.

(iii) Nielsen Park Life Saving Club requesting repairs to club rooms. It was resolved that Messrs.Parkes and Halbert inspect the rooms and that, in the meantime, the carpenter inspect the roof as to the cause of the leak and what is necessary to overcome this.

(iv) Proposal Form from Government Insurance Office insuring certain contents of House, as mentioned in schedule, to the value of £3000, for the sum of £59.5.0 was agreed to.

(v) Station 2 SM re altered times and bonus advertising were noted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £1101.16.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £771.7.1 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed, on the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Barrett reported that Mr.Maddocks of Redleaf Pool had arranged for a trained teacher to attend as instructor and beach inspector at Nielsen Park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday from December to February. The Secretary was directed to contact Mr.Maddocks and make the necessary arrangements - the usual franchise of £6.6.0 to be paid by Mr.Maddocks. A discussion took place in regard to a beach inspector being in attendance during the whole of the swimming season. Mr.Crouch agreed to obtain and forward to the President copies of the Local Government Act Ordinance concerning this matter.

The President reported that:

(i) The quote for incinerator received from Goodrid Ltd. was over £900 and that he would make further enquiries about a smaller type.

(ii) Professor Waterhouse had identified a small camellia tree on garden after he had received samples of the blooms and that he had suggested special care to be taken of this rare type. The head gardener had been notified to this effect.

On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was agreed that an electric fan costing £8.0.0 be purchased for the dressing sheds at Nielsen Park to be installed in the ticket box.

It was resolved that as from 1st.January,1963, Adult Admissions to Vaucluse House be increased from 1/6 to 2/-.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.November,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J...Lell ,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes (Counsellors) were also present.

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An apology was received from Mr.P.Lusher.

MINUTES.

...inutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:-

(i) He had discussed with the Trust's carpenter the request of Lifesavers' Club for repairs to the roof. Estimated cost would be approximately £162. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Crouch, it was resolved to proceed with the repairs in due course.

(ii) Mr.Crouch had obtained a copy of the clause in Woollahra Municipal Council's lease of Redleaf Pool relative to attendance of a lifesaver at Council's pool. After discussion in its application to Nielsen Park, it was agreed that the President approach the foreman, F.Irvine, to ascertain whether he would feel able to qualify for the bronze medal.

(iii) He had obtained a quote for a heavy duty incinerator for Nielsen Park from Goodrid Ltd. at a cost of £191. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Rogers, it was resolved to purchase incinerator

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Police Department acknowledging letter of thanks for recital of Police Military Band on 16th.September

(ii) Retrun thanks card from F.Irvine.

(iii) E.M.I.Ltd. forwarding record and cover of "The Colonial Boy" with photographs of Vaucluse House.

(iv) Woollahra Municipal Council thanking Trustees for their cooperation in entertaining the wives of interstate delegates to the Institute of Municipal Administration Annual Conference.

(v) Department of Lands forwarding gazette announcing the appointment of Mr.G.A.Kiernan as Trustee as from 12th.October,1962.

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CORRESPONDENCE. (vi) Sydney ferries informing Trust that ferries to Nielsen Park would commence from Sunday, 2nd, December and would run on Sundays and Public Holidays, weather permitting, until further notice.

(vii) The National Trust requesting renewal of annual subscription of £3.3.0. This was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Kiernan.

(viii) Department of Public Health requesting that a poster be placed at Nielsen Park for recruitment of Trainee Nurses for Psychiatric Hospitals. It was agreed that the Department be informed that a poster could be displayed in the ladies' dressing sheds.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at 31/10/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £903.19.5 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1281.0.4 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. It was resolved that the renovating of ballroom floor be deferred until after Christmas and that Mr.Yelland advise Mr.Magennis of Thatcher and Oberg of this.

Mr.Kiernan reported that he had discussed possible measures for safeguarding inshore nets in rough weather with Mr.Lusher and that the matter would be taken up with the foreman.

It was suggested that posters advertising Vaucluse House and Nielsen Park might be displayed at Mascot Terminal, the overseas terminal at the Quay and in the new express "The Southern Aurora". Mr.Rogers agreed to make enquiries regarding these advertisements.

Mr.Barrett suggested that, as a considerable time had elapsed since renovation of the stables had been decided upon, this work be done as soon as possible and that after completion, the stables be opened officially to the public. It was resolved that the work be put in hand in the new year.

The President reported that:-

(i) The stonemason had completed the flagging surrounding cinneraria beds, the path from bridge to hydrangea walk and was at present constructing borders to the azalea beds.

(ii) The carpenter had renewed the bridge over the storm drain near the old laundry and this area would be flagged shortly.

(iii) Mr.Wilson of the Orchid Society of N.S.W. had submitted a proposal in regard to placing native orchids in various trees in Vaucluse Park and that he and Mr. Kiernan had agreed, subject to the Trustees' approval, to have one dozen placed in the trees in the hydrangea park. This was agreed to.

(iv) The floor of work area and the foundation for the incinerator at Nielsen Park had been done.

MEETING CLOSED. Themeeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

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Chairman.....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.December,1962 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes and J.R.Barrett.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) He had interviewed Foreman Irvine regarding the suggestion that he obtain the bronze medal for lifesaving purposes. Irvine was of the opinion that he could not qualify but expressed his willingness to undergo instructions for applying resuscitation. It was agreed that the President ask A.Sullivan whether he would seek to qualify for the bronze medal.

(ii) The incinerator at Nielsen Park had been installed in the past month.

(iii) The C.S.R.Co. had donated five loads of stone from their bulding under demolition and he had acknowledged this donation on behalf of the Trust.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Pfaff Machine Co.,Germany, offering £80 sterling for the old sewing machine now in storage. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Lusher, the offer was accepted.

(ii) Lands Department informing Trustees that the annual grant was £6500, an increase of £2000.

(iii) Sydney Morning Herald informing Trust that the results of Historical Competition would be published in the S.M.Herald on 26th.Jan.1963.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/11/62 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On themotion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Rogers, accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £908.18.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £989.15.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN.....H.A.Snelling..... SECRETARY.....T.E.Schmude.....

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Account from Messrs.White and Co. for work carried out to piles in enclosure at Nielsen Park was discussed. On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was agreed that as the two inshore ~~nets~~ posts had not been fitted in accordance with the agreement, the President write and request a reduction of the amount charged.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Rogers reported that he had writteh to the Department of Civil Aviation in regard,to advertising at Mascot. He had also inspected the Overseas Terminal at Circular Quay but he did not think there was suitable space there in which to place an advertisement.

The suggested conversion of the dry urn into a fountain was left in the hands of Mr.Yelland to confer with Mr.Parkes with a view to formulating a suggested scheme.

Mr.Lusher made a report on the inspection of the inshore nets at Nielsen Park and suggested enquiries be made of the Mosman Council as to their nets.

A discussion took place as to the desirability of having Orchestral Recitals in Vaucluse Park. It was agreed that Trustees would give consideration to this matter.

On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Miller,it was resolved to advertise in Gregory's Guide to Sydney, at an approximate cost of £19. Negotiations were entrusted to Mr.Rogers.

A quote was received from Concrete Terrazo for the concreting of two paths in the park. The Secretary was directed to obtain a further quote from Pioneer Concrete Company.

Mr.Kiernan brought up the matter of fire protection in Vaucluse House. It was agreed that the Fire Board Commissioner be asked to send a representative to the House and make an inspection. In the meantime, the Secretary was to request the County Council to inspect all electrical wiring in the House.

Resolved that unless any urgent matters arose, there would be no meeting in January.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

M. Sinclair — Chairman  J. Schaude — Secretary

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.February,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from Messrs.H.J.Halbert and P.Lusher,

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:-

(i) The Pfaff Machine had been delivered to the Pfaff Machine Company and a cheque has been received for £100.8.0.

(ii) As requested he had written to White a nd Company re work not completed on the inshore piles of enclosure and had received a credit of £13.0.0.

(iii) The Mosman Council had sent details of the nets under their jurisdiction. It was agreed that a sub-committee consisting of Messrs.P.Lusher and G.Kiernan investigate further.

(iv) Another quote for concreting the path in northern section of Vaucluse Park had been received from Pioneer Concrete Company. On This quote was over £200 more than the previous quote from Concrete Terrazo Company. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was resolved that,acting on Mr.Parkes' recommendation, the Concrete Terrazo quote be accepted and the Secretary to arrange for a representative of the firm to meet the President during the following week to define work to be done.

(v) Following on the report from the Fire.Board Commission, he had arranged for three more extinguishers to be installed in the House and for certain other steps suggested to be taken.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mr.J.McDonald,Mosman, regarding an incident at Nielsen Park wharf and President's reply thereto was noted.

(ii) Mr.D.C.Ford, Woollahra Municipal Council,thanking Trust for permitting his car with handicapped daughter to enter Nielsen Park was received.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(iii) St.Paul's Church of England, South Coogee, requesting refund of £6 pavilion hire. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the refund was agreed to.

(iv) Police Department acknowledging President's letter of thanks to Detective Brown for printing of cards was noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

(i) Reports from Fire Board Commissiom and Electricit Department were discussed and noted.

(ii) National Roads and Motorists' Association re advertising in their booklet. This matter was referred to Mr.Rogers.

(iii) Six books were presented to the Trust by the President for the Trust's library. Mr.Barrett moved that this donation be placed on record.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/1/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, accounts paid since December meeting to the value of £1018.5.1 and £1246.9.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1395.6.2 and £1434.7.4 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(i) The Family Dining Room and the workshed at Nielsen Park were nearing completion. It was arranged that the President and Mr.Parkes confer as to further work at Nielsen Park to be attended to during the coming winter.

(ii) Further work had been carried out on the begonia rockery. The flagged path surrounding guard-house would be commenced when flagging was delivered.

On behalf of the Trustees, Mr.Kelly thanked Mr.Kiernan for obtaining two dozen garbage receptaclesfor Nielsen Park from Rheem Company, free of cost.

The suggestion of private buses being prohibited from bringing patrons to Nielsen Park was left to the President to make enquiries.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.



CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.March,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller, & CROUCH
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGY. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes, J.R.Barrett and J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

(i) The path in northern section of Vaucluse Park had been renewed most satisfactorily. The Concrete Terrazo Company had donated the extra 35 yards ~~35 yards~~ which, by a decision of the previous meeting, had been scheduled for renewal. It was agreed that the President convey the Trustees' appreciation of this generous action.

(ii) The workshed at Nielsen Parkwas completed. This was the first stage of improvements in that area, which are to be continued during the winter months.

(iii) A letter had been written to the Rheem Company as requested at previous meeting to thank them for the garbage receptacles for Nielsen Park.

(iv) A letter had been written to Mr.A.Ryan, Town Clerk, Woollahra Municipal Council, conveying the Trustees' sympathy in his illness.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letter from Mr.M.Paton, Vaucluse, re tip at Nielsen Park and President's reply thereto was noted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 28/2/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Lusher, accounts paid since February meeting to the value of £1133.9.4 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1148.1.5 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. (i) Mr.Sorenson, Horticulturist, Leura, after inspecting the trees in Vaucluse Park had suggested that a certain spray be used. The President would discuss this matter with the head gardener.

(ii) The Police Pipe Band had kindly agreed to give a recital at Vaucluse Park on Sunday, 7th.April.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(iii) The Stables and adjacent area had been cleared out and the Stables would be opened to the public by the next meeting.

(iv) The President had endeavoured to procure on loan two suitable paintings from the Art Gallery for the Family Dining Room, but, as the Art Gallery had nothing of the period of W.C.Wentworth, he had then applied to the Mitchell Library.

(v) Mrs.Gudsell, Bankstown, had donated a chiffonier (in poor repair) originally the property of Captain Piper. The Trust's truck would collect it from the donor during the week when it would be reconditioned.

(vi) During the week three of the Trustees and the President entertained at lunch the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Deputy Town Clerk of the Woollahra Municipal Council as a gesture of appreciation for their co-operation. They were very interested in the recent renovations to the House and grounds.

Mr.Yelland reported that, while doing some research at the Mitchell Library in connection with the House, he had seen two early drawings, dated 1824 and 1840 respectively. He proposed to procure photostats of these pictures for inclusion in the Trust's archives.

Before the meeting closed the President on behalf of the Trust presented a framed photograph of Nielsen Park to Mr.Halbert as a gesture of appreciation of his birthday.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.April,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT.

Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies were received from Messrs.J.A.Kelly, C.Parkes, E.S.Miller, P.Lusher, G.Crouch, G.A.Kiernan.

MINUTES.

Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The workshed area is in second stage of reconstruction. A new tar shed is being erected and the old one will be used as a storeroom.

Mr.Sorenson, Agriculturist, had suggested a motorised knapsack spray for Trust's trees. After a demonstration by Agserv Ltd. , it was suggested that a Mist-Rite Spray at a cost of £117.10.0 be purchased. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconddd by Mr.Rogers, it was agreed that the spray be ordered in June.

The chiffonier, donated to the House by Mrs.M.Gudsell of Bankstown and believed to have belonged to Captain Piper, had been excellently repaired by Mr.Cahill and placed in the drawing room.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Marrickville Conregational and Granville Baptist Sunday Schools requesting refundof pavilion bookings, £3.15.0 and £6.0.0 respectively, cancellations being due to bad weather. On themotion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the refunds were agreed to.

(ii) Red Top Transport Service in reply to Trust's letter re private buses to Nielsen Park. This matter was left in the hands of Mr.Barrett to investigate and report.

(iii) Gregory's Ltd/ forwarding "Gregory's 100 Miles Round Sydney" containing Trust's advertisement at a cost of £19.10.0 was received.

(iv) Woollahra Municipal Council re representation again local Town Planning Scheme was noted.

(v) Victorian Albert Museum, London, re photo of William IV. It was agreed that the cost was excessive and that t he matter be dropped.

(vi) Sydney Hospital Women's Committee re pageant. It was resolved that, as the House was not equipped for functions of this kind, the Committee be informed that their request could not be granted.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

GENERAL BUSINESS. Advertisement in N.R.M.A.Magazine at a cost of £30.0.0. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Yelland, it was decided that the matter be left to Mr.Rogers to take whatever action he considered suitable.

Bride's Catalogue re advertisement, This matter was also entrusted to Mr.Rogers.

The cost of repairing roadway near the entrance to Tresillian Hospital by the Woollahra Municipal Council would be £85. On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was agreed that the repairs be carried out and that the Tresillian Hospital meet half the cost. The Board of the Hospital was agreeable to this suggestion.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Rogers, confirmation of meeting half the cost of printing folders of Vaucluse House issued by the Government Tourist Bureau at a cost of £130 to the Trust, was given.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

INANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/3/63 was noted.

(ii) As Mr.Barrett had to leave the meeting at this stage and there was not a quorum present, confirmation of payments was deferred until the next meeting.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:

(i) The Rectial by the Police Pipe Band on 7th.April was very successful and the Trustees' thanks were extended to Mr.Lusher for welcoming the Band on their behalf.

(ii) Four chairs had been donated by Judge Stephens for the Board Room.

(iii) Mr.N.Walshe, Stanmore, had generously donated ten volumes of Scott's Waverley Novels, four volumesof Geographical Encyclopaedias and a copy of Curram's Speeches for inclusion in Trust's library. An appropriate letter of thanks had been sent.

(iv) The cost of renovating the Family Dining Room was approximately £160 excluding labour.

(v) The Stables had been re-opened on Monday, 8th.April. Some repairs still remained to be done.

On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Yelland, it was agreed that amenities be extended at Bottle and Glass, now thatnthis area had been opened to the public.

The printing of Christmas Cards would be considered at the next meeting.

Appreciation was recorded of Mr.Yelland's work and on the success of the drawing room floor renovation. Mr.Yelland reported that he had contacted Thatcher and Oberg informing them of the Trust's appreciation and satisfaction with the work carried out. He suggested that Wentworth's Coat of Arms be incorporated in the hatchment in the Drawing Room and would explore this matter.

Themeeting closed at 11.45 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.May,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher, G.A.Kiernan,
G.Crouch,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes, E.S.Miller and H.Yelland.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Federated Liquor Employees' Union requesting refund of £5 for pavilion booking. On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Crouch, the refund was agreed to.

(ii) Rear-Admiral G.Gatacre, Naval Headquarters, informing Trust that Naval Band will play at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 27th.October,1963.

(iii) Lt.Col.A.Meyer, Eastern Command, informing Trust that Eastern Command Band will play at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 22nd.September,1963.

(iv) N.S.W.Police Department informing Trust that Police Military Band will play at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 15th.September,1963.

(v) Police Deparment acknowledging Trust's letter of thanks to the Police Pipe Band.

(vi) The Mitchell Library re pictures for Family Dining Room. The President will call at the Library and make an inspection of appropriate pictures.

GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, engagement of J.Rochford replacing F.Staples and W.Connolly replacing E.Janek at Vaucluse Park was confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/4/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, payments made since March meeting to the value of £925.18.9 and £1008.11.4 for Nielsen Park and to £1317.1.3 and £1057.17.9 for Vaucluse Section were confirmed.



CHAIRMAN T. Schmude .....SECRETARY H.E. Snelling .....

OTHER MATTERS.

As Trust's truck seemed constantly to be in need of repair it was agreed that Messrs.Barrett and Crouch would look into the matter and confer with the foreman at Nielsen Park.

Name plates had now been placed on some camellias.

The Choirmaster of the Police Choir had suggested that, if the Choir should be asked to sing at Vaucluse House, a good piano be hired and the verandah amplified for the occasion. As this would be costly, it was agreed to leave the matter in the hands of Mr.Rogers.

The Trustees expressed appreciation of Captain Lusher's report regarding new rotary mower and agreed to purchase mower as recommended on 1st.July next.

On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Crouch, it was agreed that a quote be obtained for sanding the top corridor and, if reasonable, the work be put in hand.

EETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

This is page two of Minutes of Meeting held on Sunday, 12th.May,1963.

CHAIRMAN.....T. J. Edmunds..... SECRETARY.....H. E. Lee Hoare.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

**Minutes** of metting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.June,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.barrett,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.Miller, Rogers and Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President visited The Mitchell Library and chose two Conrad Martens' Paintings which he considered suitable for the Family Dining Room. The matter would go before the **Library** Trustees at their next meeting.

Arrangements had been made with the Gaol to do the signwriting on twelve plates for the camellias. Further plates were being made by the foreman at Nielsen Park.

The quote by Thatcher and Oberg for sanding the top corridor was £43. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Yelland, the quote was accepted and the Secretary was directed to have this work done.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) The Police Department in answer to Trust's letter re Police Choir was noted.

(ii) The Mitchell Library informing Trust that their request to have on loan two paintings for the Family Dining Room would go before the **Library** Trustees and their decision would be made known to the Trust after the meeting on 14th.June.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £682.17.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1063.8.2 in the case if Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

Five Camellias were donated to the Trust by various members of the Camellia Society and these had been acknowledged by the President. Professor Waterhouse had sent four camellias at a cost of £1.10.0 each and two more plants would be needed to fill the area adjacent to the guardhouse.

On the motion of Mr.Yelland, seconded by Mr.Barrett, it was resolved that the radio advertising be continued and that the Secretary enquire from Station 2 SM their rate for advertising on an annual basis.

A wreath had been sent to the funeral of the late Mr.A.Ryan ( Town Clerk of the Woollahra Municipal Council) and the President had represented the Trustees at the funeral.

One of the Liquid Amber trees on the main lawn had been badly affected by mistletoe. The head gardener had pruned the tree extensively and had obtained advice on the tree from the Curator of the Botanic Gardens.

The road at the entrance gate to the Tresillian Hospital had been repaired satisfactorily by the Woollahra Municipal Council and when the account was tendered half of the amount would be charged to the Hospital Board.

The Maritime Services Board had been contacted to inspect and submit a quote for renewing one pile on one of the platforms in the swimming enclosure. A request had also been made to examine the other piles in case they, too, may need renewing.

Mr.Yelland presented the two photstats of early sketches of Vaucluse House, as mentioned at the previous meeting, and informed the Trust that The Mitchell Library was doing further research in regard to the early period of Vaucluse House.

Mr.Barrett brought up the matter of the cost of electricity and insurances annually. The Secretary was directed to obtain details of the electricity account and furnish same to the President and Mr.Barrett.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.

This is page two of Minutes of Meeting held on Sunday, 9th.June,1963 at 10 a.m .

CHAIRMAN. H. Fairclough SECRETARY. I. Schmude

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.July,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.E.S.Miller,C.Parkes, P.Lusher, G.Crouch.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. Two Conrad Martens' Paintings, loaned by The Mitchell Library, were now hung in the Family Dining Room. The Secretary had arranged for an insurance cover on these pictures to the value of £250 each, an amount suggested by The Mitchell Library.

Three members of the Camellia Research Society had been entertained by the President and two Trustees during the past week. Mr.Bray, the Chairman, donated two further Camellias and the head gardener will collect these in the forthcoming week.

Thatcher and Oberg had sanded the top corridor and the work was satisfactory.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) The Mitchell Library informing Trust that the Trustees had approved of the loan of Two Conrad Martens' Paintings to the House for a period of twelve months.

(ii) Return thanks card from Mrs.I.Nathan.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council re kiosk roadway was noted.

(iv) Department of Lands regarding non-employment of staff after reaching the age of sixty-five. As this regulation affected only J.Stewart, who, incidentally is elegible for long service leave, it was resolved that, when J.Stewart had completed the work he was engaged in at present, he would be granted long serviceleave, at the termination of which he will be employed on a casual basis.

GENERAL BUSINESS. Quotations for renewing of piles on platform in swimming enclosure were discussed. It was decided to accept the quote from White and Co.for £175 for replacement of two piles, and if the third pile in question needs to be renewed, this too is to be replaced at the same time for an extra £50. The Secretary was instructed to inform White and Co.that if they consider replacement of third pile necessary they confer with the President before proceeding with this part of the work.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

GENERAL BUSINESS. Miss R.Wetherill of Randwick had donated several articles of linen and wearing apparel used in the Wentworth period. This would be displayed in due course.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since June meeting to the value of £831.15.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £809.9.8 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. It was agreed that members of the National Trust of Australia be invited to the Band Recitals in September and that, on presentation of their membership cards, they be given free admission to Vaucluse House.

Mr.Kiernan reported that he and Mr.Lusher had welcomed on behalf of the Trustees Judge Thomas and members of the Waverley Historical Society on Saturday, 22nd. June,1963, and that their guests were very impressed with the House and grounds. He also reported that, as requested, they had inspected the wire net at Clifton Gardens and were obtaining further information on this matter for the Trust's consideration.

Mr.Yelland suggested that he contact the Visual Education Department with a view to its making a documentary film on Vaucluse House. This was agreed to.

The matter of lighting in Nielsen Park was discussed and it was decided that the President should discuss with Mr.Crouch whether the Council would contribute a proportion of the amount charged to and paid by the Trust annually.

Mr.Cahill had set one of the marble table tops,which formerly had rested on an easel, into a frame on a cedar base.

As the painting and restoration work at Vaucluse House was at a standstill while the Trust's painter, Westbrook, was engaged at Nielsen, the President suggested that another painter be employed for say ten weeks to complete the work at Nielsen in order that the Morning Room and other urgent work be attended to before the commencement of the Wistaria season. This was agreed to on the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett.

Mr.Kelly reported that he had been in communication with the Department of Government Transport regarding the regulation which in some cases was preventing private buses bringing picnic parties to Nielsen Park. The Department had suggested that, if the Sunday Schools in question would approach the Government,consideration would be given to their request. The Secretary was instructed to inform by telephone the Red Top Transport Company of this suggestion.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.45 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.August,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING As a result of last meeting's discussion on the cost of street lighting in Nielsen Park charged to the Trust, the President conferred with Mr.Crouch who, in turn, discussed the street lighting cost with the Mayor of Woollahra Municipal Council. The Mayor informed Mr.Crouch that he would place the Trust's proposal before the next formal meeting of the Council.

The large marble table top depicting scenes of Italy had been renovated by Mr.Cahill and placed on a cedar base.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Camellia Research Society thanking Trustees for the entertainment extended to its Committee.

(ii) N.S.W.Department of Tourist Activities re advertising of Band Recitals.

(iii) The Mitchell Library acknowledging pictures.

(iv) The National Trust of Australia thanking the Trustees for their invitation to the Band Recitals in September as guests of the Trust.

GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Miller, engagement of W.Von Senden and C.Hall at Vaucluse Park replacing W.Connolly and K.Walsh, and C.Davis, painter for Nielsen Park, was confirmed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/7/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £1128.19.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1501.12.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

The Camellia Research Society had been successful in obtaining window space at Farmers for display of some of the camellias grown at Vaucluse House, during the Camellia Exhibition. Some of the Trust's exhibits had also been placed on show in the Blaxland Galleries, where the Exhibition was held.

The Tourist Bureau had promised to publicise, free of charge, the Band Recitals in their paper "Compass" and would be pleased to include any items from time to time. They had placed the Trust on their mailing list of the "Compass".

Mr.Stanley, Administrator of Parks and Reserves, Lands Department, visited both during the month and expressed much interest and satisfaction in progress made.

Messrs.H.Missingham and Thomas, Director and Assistant-Director of the Art Gallery, had also visited the House in July and were very pleased with the restorations. They have arranged to take back some of their paintings on loan to the House as these were out of period and, in return, would loan more appropriate paintings.

The renovation of Morning Room was in progress. The plasterer will cement render walls during the coming week, after which the painter will paint and re-paper the room.

The fish pond had been cleaned out during the month and the outer parks had been mowed.

The tar shed at Nielsen Park was nearing completion,as also the painting of dressing sheds. A newpunt is being constructed.

It was arranged that the President confer with Mr.Garth, City Council regarding the question of a fountain.

Mr.Miller informed the Trustees that Mr.Stelling of Roseville, as soon as he had procured the necessary data, would present the Trust with a harp originally the property of Mrs.W.C.Wentworth.

Mr.Yelland reported thathe had arranged with the Visual Education Department to make a film of Vaucluse House during this year, for the benefit of all public schools.

The Department of the Navy had repaired the road leading to Steel Point and the Trust's staff had cleared the area surrounding the fortifications to some extent.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.September,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.R.Barrett,G.Crouch, H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting as amended were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) Despite intimation by the Assessor to the Secretary that compensation for storm damage to the Morning Room would be approximately £95, the Government InsuranceOffice had disavowed liability on the grounds that the damage had been caused by a blockage in the box gutter. However, he had written to the General Manager and the matter was under review.

(ii) The punt had been satisfactorily completed and,as the cost of construction was low, it was not considered worth the expense of placing fibre glass on the punt.

(iii) The Government Tourist Bureau had forwarded a copy of the "Compass" in which the three Band Recitals at Vaucluse House were mentioned.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/8/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £830.12.8 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £965.8.7 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The Emu and Prospect Gravel Company had donated 8½ tons of road base, cartage charges only to be borne by the Trust.

The ~~Spinet~~ Square Piano would be returned renovated during the coming week.

Mr.T.Watson of Tooth and Company had donated twelve more tubs to be used for planting of shrubs in courtyard,etc.

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CHAIRMAN.....H.A.Snelling.....SECRETARY.....T.E.Schmude.....

OTHER MATTERS.

White and Company had renewed two piles on platform in the Swimming Enclosure and had expressed the opinion that the third pile should last at least two to three more years.

The wall in hydrangea section was nearing completion and the Morning Room would be re-opened on Sundat,15th.Sept.

Restoration to the glasshouse,slating of roof on carpenter's store and the building of a larger incinerator at Nielsen Park were under immediate consideration. Because of staff's inability to do the work at present, quotes for these jobs were being obtained.

The painter at Vaucluse, H.Westbrook, had a good deal of miscellaneous work still to complete including Period Costume room.

Mr.Yelland reported that Mr.Neeson had the painting of the Coat-of-Arms in hand and, on completion, this would be incorporated in the Hatchment.

Mr.Kiernan suggested that all theiron gates of Vaucluse Park required attention and pffered to obtain a quote to have them processed before being painted in order to render the iron rust resistant. He also reported that he had been in touch with Mr.Marr regarding a tractor blade for the purpose of removing sand from promenade and similar work.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.October,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes (Counsellors) were also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.A.Kelly, J.H.Rogers and G.Crouch.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months:-

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| President: | Mr.H.A.Snelling. |
| Vice-President: | Mr.J.A.Kelly, |
| Treasurer: | Mr.J.R.Barrett. |

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The Coat-of-Arms was replaced in hatchment during the past week and the thanks of the Trustees are due to Mr.Yelland who was instrumental in having this done.

Thanks were also conveyed to Mr.Kiernan who procured a tractor blade, free of cost, through the good offices of Mr.Marr.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Captain Cook Landing Place Trust thanking Trustees for the gift of statue of Captain Cook and Framed Plaster Cast Tablet.

(ii) Mr.G.J.Crouch informing Trustees of his absence from Sydney until 21st.October.

(iii) Boy Scouts Association acknowledging receipt of £3 for work carried out at Nielsen Park by the Boy Scouts during the past month.

(iv) Receipt of Balance Sheet and Report from the Auditor General.

(v) Department of Lands informing Trust that a portion of the Annual Grant, £1625, had been paid into the Rural Bank, Bondi Junction.

GENERAL BUSINESS. Prospective installation of a larger incinerator at Nielsen Park for approximately £200 was discussed. It was resolved that the work be carried out by A.J.Broomhead after a firm quote had been received and further details worked out in conjunction with the President.

Quotations were received for rebuilding of glasshouse. It was agreed that, unless a better quote were obtained that for £430 be accepted from Mr.J.Thomson. Mr.Barrett is to confer with the President during the coming week re obtaining a quote from Mr.R.Kelly.

CHAIRMAN. H A Snelling SECRETARY. T E Schmude

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Yelland, seconded by Mr.Kiernan, accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £831.14.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1107.17.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:-

(i) During the past month their Excellencies, Sir Eric and Lady Woodward had visited Vaucluse House in company with Sir Edric Bastyan, Sir Charles and Lady Gairdiner, and Lady and Mr.David Bastyan respectively:

(ii) The water service in Dressing Sheds had been renewed in copper at a cost of £223. This was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Kiernan, seconded by Mr.Miller:

(iii) Mr.Munro of Rheems Ltd. had donated to Nielsen Park another dozen painted garbage receptacles:

(iv) Two loads of kerb stone for Vaucluse Park had been received through Mr.Hunt of Woollahra Municipal Council:

(v) The wall under hatchment in corridor and two sections of scullery wall would be waterproof cemented during the week by Mr.Andrew at a cost of £40.

Mr.Yelland reported that he had been in touch with N.Messis and Anthony Horderns in regard to the reframing of some of the photographs in the Governors' Gallery to achieve uniformity of size and that they would forward quotes within the bext week.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.40 a.m.

This is page two of Minutes of Meeting held on 13th.October,1963 at 10 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.November,1963 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary).

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Messrs.P.Lusher, J.H.Rogers, G.Crouch and C.Parkes.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The incinerator installed at Nielsen Park at a cost of £238, appeared to be very satisfactory.

As requested at previous meeting, a further quote for construction of glasshouse had been obtained from Mr.R.Kelly. As the quote was £370.16.0, lower than those already obtained, the work was given to Mr.Kelly. The glasshouse was completed during the past week.

The wall under hatchment in corridor and section of scullery wall were cement waterproofed during the month by Mr.Andrew at a cost of £40.

Up to the time of this report, ten photographs in Governors' Gallery have been reframed and the remainder will be done during the coming week.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mr.J.H.Rogers acknowledging President's letter of commiseration regarding his injury.

(ii) Government Insurance Office re increasing Cash in Transit Policy to £900 for sum insured.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

OTHER MATTERS. The recital by the Royal Australian Navy on Oct.27th. was greatly appreciated and a letter of thanks had been sent by the President.

On Friday, 8th.November, Channel 7 had featured Vaucluse House in a session entitled "Friday Supplement".

On behalf of the Trustees, the President had sent flowers to the widow of the late Mr.O.Hogg.

The Engineer of the Woollahra Municipal Council, Mr.Hunt, had arranged to have the existing car entrance to Bottle and Glass cemented at the expense of the Trust. A second exit gateway is to be made shortly.

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CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

The dividing fence adjacent to Bottle and Glass was being replaced by the owner, Mr.King, and the Trust would share cost equally.

An extended water service had been installed at Bottle and Glass at a cost of £34.15.0.

The two outer parks and the beach reserve at Vaucluse Park had been mown during the past month and the beach cleared of debris. The paling fence between Mr.Fallon's property and that of the Trust was in a bad condition and needed renewing. A quote was being obtained, Mr.Fallon be asked to pay half. The Woollahra Municipal Council will build a retaining wall beneath the aquaduct in beach reserve and the Council will meet half the cost.

Mr.Kiernan had arranged that the three gates in Wentworth Road at the main entrance be sent to be sandblasted, repaired and painted. Mr.Burnett had kindly agreed to do the work at cost.

Renovation of the men's quarters at Nielsen Park were proceeding. The ambulance room roof is to be renewed and a quote was being obtained for this from George Ward.

The fence behind the Vaucluse kiosk kneeded renewing; Mr.Kelly be asked to do this work.

On the motion of Mr.Yelland, seconded by Mr.Barrett, a quote for £70 from Concrete Terrazzo for renewing seven panels in one of the paths in Vaucluse Park was accepted.

On themotion of Mr.Kiernan, seconded by Mr.Kelly, it was left to Mr.Yelland to purchase from the Government Printer ten large albums for Trust's collection of photographs, provided he was satisfied with the price quoted.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/10/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Yelland, accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £1537.8.10 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1071.14.8 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.December,1963.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.H.J.Halbert and J.H.Rogers.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) The cementing of entrance at Bottle and Glass by the Woollahra Municipal Council would be commenced shortly. The second gateway had been erected and the circuit drive was now ready for traffic.

(ii) As the fence between Mr.Fallon's property and Trust's beach reserve was badly in need of repair, he had asked Mr.Kelly for a quote. When this was received Mr.Fallon would be asked to contribute to half the cost of repairs.

(iii) Mr.Kiernan had arranged to have three of the main gates sandblasted and metal processed. Because parts of the gates were disintegrating, these had to be reconstructed. H.Westbrook would re-condition the pillars before the gates were re-erected and the painting of the gates would follow.

(iv) The section of concrete path at a cost of £70 as per quotation had been completed during the month.

(v) N.Messis had reframed and adjusted the photos in Governors' Gallery and H.Westbrook had painted the walls that had been waterproof-cemented.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:

(i) Mr.Fergus Canny re furnishings for cellar. It was arranged that any trustee finding it convenient would call at the cellars at Camden Park, Menangle to obtain an idea what type of fittings and equipment be procured for cellar in Vaucluse House.

(ii) Woollahra Municipal Council re fluorescent lighting in Nielsen Park. This matter was referred to Mr.Crouch.

GENERAL BUSINESS. Engagement of W.Shiels and W.Ackroyd was approved on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kiernan.

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CHAIRMAN..... SECRETARY.....

FINANCIAL [illegible]. A quote of £9[illegible].10.0 by [illegible]ward and Co. was accepted for renewal of roof on Ambylance Room at Nielsen Park.

[illegible]. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/11/63 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Barrett, accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £1549.6.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1676.3.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. As the Inlaid Table was being returned from the Post Graduate Committee of Medicine, it was resolved that the Woollahra Municipal Council be offered this table on loan for the Council's library.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Kiernan, it was agreed that the floor of painter's store be cemented by Concrete Terrazzo at a cost of £52.10.0.

Wentworth's armchair in study had been re-upholstered at a cost of £16.0.0.

The President had engaged R.Crowcher to fill the stonemason's position left vacant by the death of F.Poole. In the meantime, J.Cameron, helped by two employees, had completed the new steps leading to coachhouse.

Mr.Crouch suggested that the President and Mr.Kiernan list the important works to be done both at Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks, obtain any necessary tenders for work and present these to the Trustees when obtained.

The matter of slating the roof of carpenter's store was discussed and it was decided to proceed with this work on estimate of cost submitted to the meeting by the President.

The construction of a wall under aquaduct in beach reserve by the Woollahra Municipal Council was agreed to, the Trust tp pay £27.10.0, being half the cost. The matter was left in the hands of Mr.Crouch,

The President outlined suggested action to beautify the areas surrounding Vaucluse Park in conjunction with the Council and would submit concrete proposals later.

Unless any urgent matters arose there would not be a Trust meeting in January in accordance with the usual practice. The President wished the Trustees the compliments of the Season and expressed his appreciation of their co-operation during the past year.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 p.m.

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# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.February,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan.
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.E.S.Miller and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) The entrance to Bottle and Glass parking area had been cemented and during the past week the Council had loaned their bulldozer to level the roadway and adjoining areas after several tons of filling had been obtained.

(ii) During the week the Mayor, Town Clerk and Engineer of Woollahra Municipal Council had been entertained at a luncheon at Vaucluse Kiosk and, whilst here, had inspected the Inlaid Table to ascertain whether this table would be suitable to place on loan in Council's library or elsewhere.

(iii) During the month he and Mr.Crouch, accompanied by an alderman and a resident, had inspected the area surrounding Vaucluse Park. He had also made an inspection with the Landscape Architect of the Botanic Gardens, Mr.Watson, with a view to seeking Mr.Watson's advice as to the improvement of this area. On receipt of Mr.Watson's report, he would suggest a sub-committee be formed including Mr.Crouch, Mr.Summerfield ( representing the Council) and Mr.Seletto, a resident. Their suggestions could then be made the basis of a joint improvement scheme.

[illegible]. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mr.V.W.Cocks, Vaucluse, forwarding a contribution of £5.5.0 to the Trust, and the President's reply thereto.

(ii) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust that an inspection would be made of the Inlaid Table at a date to be fixed.

(iii) Mr.R.A.McWilliam,Vaucluse, regarding state of parking area in Greycliffe Avenue, and the President's reply thereto suggesting a meeting to discuss the matter personally.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

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J. A. Kelly ..... .....

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/1/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On themotion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since December meeting to the value of £1001.2.4 and £1753.11.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £910.7.0 and £1312.9.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

Purchase of Rotoclean Vacuum at a cost of £112.10.0 was confirmed on the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by [illegible].

The President reported that:-

(i) During the past month the Ambulance Room at Nielsen Park had been re-roofed at a cost of £95.10.0 and the top half of walls replastered by A.Andrew at a cost of £60. The room will be painted during the next few weeks.

(ii) The staff quarters at Nielsen Park were nearing completion and the next job in this area would be the storeroom, boatshed and Lifesavers extensions.

(iii) The painting of summerhouses was proceeding. There were still one summerhouse to be re-erected and one to be re-roofed. The pavilions would be painted during the forthcoming winter months.

On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Crouch, a sub-committee comprising Messrs.Barrett,Yelland and Kiernan, was formed to consider and report on a comprehensive improvement scheme for Vaucluse Point, details of which were outlined at the meeting.

As Aston Park was comparable to Vaucluse Point in many respects, Mr.Lusher suggested that a return visit by the Trustees to Aston Park be made shortly. It was agreed that after the President's return from abroad this visit be arranged.

Quotes were to be obtained by Mr.Kiernan for renovations to the cottage at Steel Point and to the Nielsen Park Kiosk. In the meantime, the extent of Mr.McCole's responsibility would be looked into by the President.

As the sea wall at Nielsen Park was in need of repairs, it was resolved that the estimate of £150 from the Department of Public Works be considered, the President to obtain a firm quote from the Department if possible.

Further discussions re necessary repairs and improvements to both Nielsen and Vaucluse took place and it was resolved that the motion passed at the previous meeting be implemented, viz, that Mr.Kiernan obtain three quotes for all works necessary and submit these for the purpose of reviewing and deciding upon a programme of work commiserate with available finances.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.45 a.m.

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[illegible] J. J. Kelly ..SECRETARY T. S. Lusher

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.March,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.J.A.Kelly (In the Chair),
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.H.A.Snelling, E.S.Miller, G.Crouch and H.J.Halbert,

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The Vice-President reported that:-

(i) The Inlaid Table had been collected by the Woollahra Municipal Council during the past month.

(ii) As the carpenter was on annual leave, no further work had been done on the staff quarters at Nielsen Park.

(iii) Mr.Maloney from the Department of Public Works had informed the Secretary that he would inspect the sea wall at Nielsen Park and report to the Trust as to the actual cost for carrying out repairs.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Return thanks cards from Mrs.I.Hunter and Mr.H.Westbrook.

(ii) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust that Council would be pleased to accept on loan the Inlaid Table.

(iii) Mr.A.Fisher re name on bust of eldest daughter of W.C.Wentworth. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the letter, to inform Mr.Fisher that the correction would be made and to instruct H.Westbrook to make the necessary alteration.

(iv) St.John Ambulance Brigade requesting a donation of £15.15.0. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Lusher, the request was granted and the Secretary was instructed to inform the Brigade that the Trust would install its sterilizer when the ambulance room was painted.

(v) Mr.A.H.Chard, South Australia, in reply to President's letter regarding an early print of "Vaucluse". The Secretary was directed to request Mr.Chard to forward the print for inspection by the Trustees, all freight charges to be paid by the Trust.

(vi) Mr.D.Thomas, Art Gallery, forwarding information about pictures in Vaucluse House. The matter was left in the hands of Mr.Yelland.

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CHAIRMAN. J.A.Kelly .....SECRETARY. T.Schmude .....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(vii) Mr.P.Lusher setiing out information in respect of original battery guns. It was agreed that a letter be sent by the Secretary to Major General T.J.Daly on the lines indicated in Mr.Lusher's letter.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 29/2/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Rogers, accounts paid since February meeting to the value of £1274.8.0 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £997.16.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Barrett brought to the notice of the Trustees the poor condition of the gate adjacent to the Hospital Road. It was resolved that the gate be repaired upon the return of the Trust's carpenter from annual leave and that enquiries be made whether the gate might be removed. Mr.Barrett also mentioned that letters had been written to the press recently about both the Bottle and Glass headland as well as Bradleys Head. He was of the opinion that the area under the Trust's control, namely the Bottle and Glass area, should be preserved in its natural state as far as possible. All the Trustees present agreed and it was resolved that grass and trees be planted in order to preserve a natural setting.

Mr.Yelland reported that he had received the album made for the Trust by the Government Printer. The cost would be £17.10.0. The albums were beautifully made. Mr.Yelland also reported that three art teachers from the Technical College had offered their services to restore the wallpaper on drawing room. Before this could be done, the cornice would have to be repaired and the walls and woodwork painted. Mr.Parkes was authorised to have the ceiling repaired if he considered the price moderate.

Mr.Kiernan informed the Trustees that the Australian Gaslight Company had donated a gas street light to be erected near the main gates in Wentworth Road. The Woollahra Council had expressed its willingness to co-operate.

Regarding the slating of roof on carpenter's store, the Secretary was directed to obtain specifications and quotes in writing from the carpenter, slater and plumber.

The Secretary was instructed to ascertain the cost of dismantling, removing and re-assembling the small incinerator at Nielsen Park to Vaucluse Park. If the Vice-President thought the cost reasonable he was to authorise the removal of incinerator.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

As Mr.Anderson, Curator of Botanic Gardens, was retiring, a letter of thanks would be sent to him on behalf of the Trustees for his valuable assistance during his term of office.

Mr.Barrett was authorised to purchase a silver tray suitably inscribed, for presentation to Mr.Halbert on his 80th.birthday. The presentation will be in recognition of Mr.Halbert's services to the Trust in the past 20 years.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.45 a.m.

CHAIRMAN....J.F.Kelly....SECRETARY....A.Schaude....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.April,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT: Messrs.J.A.Kelly (In the Chair),
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
G.Grouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.H.J.Halbert (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes, J.H.Rogers and P.Lusher.

Before commencing business matters, the Vice-President presented Mr.Halbert with an inscribed silver tray as a token of the Trustees' esteem for his splendid services over the past twenty-two years and as a souvenir of his 80th.birthday.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The Vice-President reported that:-

(i) The Sea wall at Nielsen Park had been repaired by the Department of Public Works and it was decided that Mr.Parkes be asked to make an inspection.

(ii) At the previous meeting, it was arranged that a power point be installed in the Ambulance Room at Nielsen Park but he had been advised by the Secretary that there was a power point already in this room.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mrs.N.Clift,Vaucluse,forwarding a donation of £50 for the planting of English trees in Vaucluse Park. The Secretary was directed to thank Mrs.Clift for her generous gift and Mr.Kiernan was delegated to enquire from the Forestry Commission as to the best type of tree to be planted in the park adjacent to the kiosk.

(ii) Mr.A.H.Chard, Adelaide, forwarding a print of "Vaucluse" as requested by the Trust. The print was accepted and a cheque for £15.15.0 plus freight costs was to be sent to Mr.Chard.

(iii) Woollahra Municipal Council re document for Easement of Support at Nielsen Park. It was agreed that the Vice-President get in touch with Mr.Lynch of the Crown Solicitors to ascertain the reason for the delay in forwarding documents to the Council.

GENERAL BUSINESS. On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Couch, it was resolved that M.Wilkinson be assigned cleaning duties three days weekly in place of Mrs.Fisher (who had resigned owing to ill health) and that the work include the cleaning of the windows, thereby dispensing with the present Window Cleaners. Confirmation of engagement of A.Ogle replacing W.Shiels was given and engagement of another gardener-labourer replacing M.Wilkinson.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/3/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Yelland, accounts paid since March meeting to the value of £1004.11.9 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1065.2.1 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MA TTERS. Mr.Yelland submitted one of the ten albums he had completed, for the Trustees' inspection.All complimented Mr.Yelland on the excellent work he was putting into this project. Mr.Yelland reported that (1) Mr.Thomas of the Art Gallery is selecting suitable pictures to replace those in the House (2) Mr.Dows, Head Teacher of Carpentry at the Technical College, is prepared to identify the furniture in Vaucluse House but that identification might take several months.

Mr.Kiernan informed the meeting that (1) the Australias Gas Light Company had begun installation of gas light standard in Wentworth Road and two lights on pillars, (2) three wrought iron gates had been presented by Mr.P.Campbell to be erected in the cottage paddock, (3) the double gates were being returned by Mr.Burnett during the coming week (4) the Period Costume Room was nearing completion. Mr.Wilfrid Coles had donated three display figures for this room. The Vice-President thanked Mr.Kiernan for his keen interest in these matters and asked that he would convey to Mrs.Kiernan the Trustees' appreciation of the work she was doing in renovating the Costume Room.

On the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Kiernan, the quote presented by Mr.Kelly for work outlined in his statement to the value of £282 was accepted. The Secretary was directed to inform Mr.Kelly that the work should be attended to at his earliest convenience.

Mr.Barrett informed the meeting that, during an inspection he had noticed the untidiness and poor arrangement of the new glasshouse and that often he noticed tools left in the grounds after the staff had finished work. Mr.Crouch moved that the head gardener, P.Wunsch, be reprimanded by the Vice-President on behalf of the Trustees.

On the motion pf Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Kiernan the engagement of R.Scott, stonemason, replacing R.Cowcher,at the rate of £25 per week was confirmed.

The Vice-President reported that:-

(i) Because of excessively high seas, five piles had been lost at Nielsen Park as well as the nets and severe damage had been done to wing fences and posts. After discussion, it was decided that the Maritime Services Board be requested to make a through investigation on the following points:-

~~(i) because of excessively high seas, five piles had been lost at~~ Nielsen Park as well as the nets ~~and severe damage had been~~

(i) Position of piles and advisability of replacing them in rock;

(ii) Were more piles needed other than those normally placed;

(iii) The possibility of enclosing a smaller area of beach with a view to eliminating or at least minimising, the damage that occurred on the western end;

(iv) The possibility of erecting a different type of net.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

It was thought by the Trustees that the repairs at Nielsen Park may entail a great amount of expenditure and that it may be necessary to approach the Government for an extra subsidy to cover this.

(ii) Professor Waterhouse was forwarding a list of suggested camellias to be planted and expenditure up to £25 was authorised for the purchasing of plants/

(iii) Despite the waterproof cementing of the Morning Room, dampness had permeated the wallpaper again. The exterior wall should be stripped during the week to enable Mr.Parkes to make an inspection. In the meantime, H.Westbrook had enquired of the Non-Porite Company as to the best means of overcoming the dampness and would report to the Trust when he returned from annual leave.

(iv) The carpenter's store was completed and seemed most satisfactory.

(v) The incinerator would be removed from Nielsen Park this coming week and be installed in Vaucluse Park.

(vi) As requested at the previous meeting, he had written to Mr.Anderson, Curator of Botanic Gardens, conveying to him the Trust's appreciation of his assistance during his term of office.

(vii) Colonel White had telephoned the Secretary informin her that so far it had not been possible to locate a gun similar to the type used at Steel Point, but much research was being done on t his matter and if a gun were located, he would advise Trust.

(viii) He was of the opinion that a small railing should be erected on new pathway beside the guardhouse and the Secretary was directed to have this done.

(ix) Mrs.A.Weekes had given a most interesting talk on Vaucluse House over Station 2 FC on Thursday 9th. inst. and had paid a gracious compliment to the Trustees for their work in r estoring the House and grounds to their former state.

(x) Mr.E.Craig and two other members of the Camellia Research Committee were bringing four American visitors to view the House and grounds at 11 a.m. and he suggested that the Trustees meet them after this meeting.

(xi) Mr.P.Perkal had quoted £10 per day for repairing the ornamental c ornice and ceiling in the ballroom. The work would take from four to ten days. This quote had been accepted by Mr.Parkes (vide Minutes of 8th.March,1964). Before this work could be carried out,H.Westbrook noticed that the iron roof above ballroom was in a very poor condition and after Mr.Parkes had made an inspection thw Secretar had called for quotes to have this roof renewed. On Mr.Parkes advice, t he roof was to be replaced by asbestos instead of irom as the former was far more durable. When the quotes were received,the Secretar was to notify Mr.Parkes and he would accept the most satisfactory.

The thanks of the Trustees was conveyed to Mr.Barrett for his efforts in obtaining the silver tray which was presented to Mr.Halbert.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.20 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 10th.May,1964 at 10a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair)
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
J.H.Rogers,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes.

Before proceeding with the meeting the Vice-President welcomed the President on his return from overseas. The President in reply complimented the Trustees on the progress that had been made in the last three months.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(1) The Gas Lamp Post had been installed at the main gates and other lamps had been sought from London by the Gas Company for pillars in Wentworth Road.

(11) Metal Coatings Ltd.had r eturned the double gates and these had been re-erected im Wentworth Road.

(111) The Period Costume Room would be opened during the coming week.

(1v) The incinerator had been re-erected in Vaucluse Park by Goodrid Ltd.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) The Aust.Camellia Research Society enclosing a plan for planting of camellias in Courtyard, Tubs and Camellia Walk and suggesting suitable plants. On themotion of Mr.Kiernan, seconded by Mr.Kelly, the Secretary was directed to order the camellias as recommended.

(ii) Mr.B.K.Wilson, Potts Pt.donating £10 to the Trust to be used for tree planting. The President would send a letter of thanks to Mr.Wilson and inform him that two trees had already been purchased for planting in cottage paddock.

(iii) The Maritime Services Board re damage to Nielsen Park. The President informed the meeting that he had made an appointment with one of the Board's engineers to discuss the matter.

(iv) Vaucluse Progress Association conveying the Association's regret at the loss caused to nets and piles at Nielsen Park during the recent storm.

(v) D.Baglin Photography forwarding two aerial photographs of Vaucluse House. The Secretary was instructed to return the photos.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE.

(vi) Mr.G.W.Sample,Vaucluse,forwarding donation of £10 towards the beautification of Nielsen Park.

(vii) Royal Life Saving Society requesting Oxygen equipment for Nielsen Park Lifesaving Club. The Secretary was directed to enquire from the Society details and cost of such equipment.

(viii) Undertakers Ass.& Employees' Union apologising for the conduct of a few members at their picnic last season.

(ix) Mr.Watson, Botanic Gardens, forwarding report for landscaping circumference of Vaucluse Park/

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/4/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr. Crouch, accounts paid since April meeting to the value of £1207.16.7 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1680.3.9 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. It was agreed that outside wall of corridor be recemented with waterproof cement and that the conduit be placed under cement.

Oh the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Lusher,it was agreed that a new typewriter be purchased and the present typewriter be sold for its resale value, £1.10,.0 to Mr.Barrett. (£1.10.0 )

J.Stewart was granted seventeen weeks long service leave for 26 years service. It was resolved to re-engage him on a casual basis as required. It was moved by Mr.Kiernan, seconded by Mr.Lusher, that regular provision be made against long service leave commitments and for the Secretary to consult the auditors as to the best means of arranging this.

Mr.Yelland presented a report of the sub-committee as to improvement and development of Bottle and Glass This would be circulated to the Trustees.

Mr.Kiernan suggested that the wall surrounding the kitchen garden required rebuilding and the water tank is in need of repair. The President will discuss the matter with Trust's stonemason.

Mr.Parkes had (as authorised by the Trustees) accepted the quote from G.Ward for renewing iron roofs over ballroom and main corridor and the work would commence on the 18th.inst.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 14th.June,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
P.Lusher,
J.H.Rogers,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.C.Parkes and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) Following on the report by the Camellia Research Society the camellias, as suggested, had been purchased and planted in tubs, courtyard and camellia walk.

(ii) One of the engineers of The Maritime Services Board had inspected the storm damage at Nielsen Park. The engineer suggested a private firm to handle the work and furnished the names of two firms capable of handling this type of work. Since then, Mr.Ron Jenkins had been asked to quote for the work. He had made soundings and surveys and would advise the Trust as to the best way of putting in piles. He had given a verbal estimate and because of the urgency of the work, the meeting approved of the matter being finalised with Mr.Jenkins upon his giving a satisfactory written quotation.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Royal Australian Airforce, Royal Australian Navy, Commissioner of Police and Australian Military Forces re Band Recitals. Because of heavy commitments the Airforce and Navy were unable to accede to Trust's request. The Police Military Band would give a recital on the 20th.September and the Eastern Command on 13th.September,1964.

(ii) The Royal Lifesaving Society re Oxygen equipment. Mr.Kiernan offered to contact Johnson & Johnson regarding this equipment.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/5/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Yelland, accounts paid since May meeting to the value of £990.1.4 in the caseof Nielsen Park and to £986.5.1 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:-

(i) Following on a lengthy report from Mr.Watson, Landscape Gardener, Botanic Gardens, he had arranged a sub-committee meeting for Thursday, 18th.inst. As the scheme would cost about £2000, he would suggest that, when the scheme was completed, the Woollahra Municipal Council be asked to contribute half the cost of natural preservation around the outskirts of Vaucluse Park.

(ii) The Trust's stonemason had rebuilt a portion of the kitchen garden wall and was laying the foundation of the tool shed at Nielsen Park.

(iii) The water tank adjacent to kitchen garden wall was in need of renovation and a quote for this work would be obtained.

(iv) The iron roofs over ballroom and main corridor were nearly completed and the cornice of ballroom had been repaired by P.Perkal. The Trust's painter had begun painting the ballroom.

(v) Mr.Munro of Rheems had donated another fifteen drums for garbage receptacles at Nielsen Park.

(vi) The matter of the Easement of Support was now satisfactorily settled by the Crown Solicitor with the Solicitor of the Woollahra Municipal Council.

(viii) The Trust's stonemason had requested a loan of £65. After conferring with Messrs.Barrett and Kiernan, the loan had been made to W.Scott, repayable by £5 per week.

The question of disposing of the statue of Romeo and Juliet was discussed and it was resolved that the President enquire from Mr.Lipscombe its present value and advice as to disposal.

Mr.Yelland reported that he had made a start on an interim Vaucluse House Directory and he had also commenced sorting out for display documents,etc.relating to the Fontaine de Vaucluse.

Mr.Kiernan asked that the hayloft be restored in the carpenter's store.

Mr.Lusher suggested that an advertisement be placed in the magazine published by The Maritime Services Board R.S.L. Sub-Branch. The matter was left to Mr.Lusher to obtain particulars.

After a lengthy discussion on quotations for necessary works, it was resolved on the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Lusher that:-

(i) Pioneer Concrete's quote be accepted.

(ii) Accept Neeb and Martin's quotation for repairs to Steel Pt.cottage and No.1 and 2 Pavilions (subject to adjustment for additional work).

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CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

OTHER MATTERS.

(iii) The question of repairs to Nielsen Park Kiosk and Residence be referred to Mr.Parkes for report. Trustees agreed in principle that the work should be done.

(iv) Explore the possibility of obtaining funds as may be necessary; a letter to be sent to the Woollahra Municipal Council regarding the proposed natural preservation scheme for Vaucluse Park and the necessary funds required and also advising the Council of the various works being carried out by the Trust.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 12.15.p.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 12th.July,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers, G.A.Kiernan and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

The President reported that:-

(i) Messrs.Kiernan and Lusher had discussed thoroughly with Mr.Ron Jenkyns the replacement of piles at Nielsen Park enclosure. It was arranged that four piles be replaced, two driven and two potted, at a cost of £950 with an extra £50 per day stand-by time in the event of inclement weather to a limit of seven days. Quotation had been accepted , the work to commence within the next two or three weeks and will be completed by the end of August.

(ii) In accordance with the advice of the Honorary Medical Adviser, the Oxygen equipment, sought by the Life Saving Club, should not be used unless skilled staff is available Accordingly we had accepted from Mr.Northam of Johnson & Johnson the gift of a Resusitube and he would discuss with the Club the possibility of installing and using oxygen.

(iii) Following on the resolution at the last meeting,he had written to the Town Clerk of the Woollahra Municipal Council in reference to the proposed project for the natural preservation of the outskirts of Vaucluse Park. He had pointed out that the Trust is prepared to set aside £1,000 towards the implementation of the scheme and had asked Council whether it could see its way clear to make an equal sum available.

(iv) Mr.Stanley Lipscombe had inspected the Romeo and Juliet statue and suggested that Mr.Max Lawson be approached with a view to purchase. Mr.Lawson had been contacted and would inspect the statue within the next two weeks.

(v) Pioneer Concrete's quote for roads and paths had been accepted and the work was begun last Wednesday.

(vi) Neeb and Martin's quote for Steel Pt.cottage and Nos. 1 and 2 pavilions had been accepted subject to an adjustment for repairs to rafters on No.1 pavilion.

(vii) In reply to his letter to the Lands Department, listing works urgently needed, a cheque for £4000 had been received as an extra grant towards these necessary works.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Commissioner of Police informing Trust that Police Pipe Band would give a recital at Vaucluse Park on Sunday, 18th.October,1964.

(ii) Camellia Research Society in reference to Camellia Show at Farmer's Blaxland Gallery on 27th.to 29th. July,1964.

(iii) Commissioner of Taxation informing Trust that there is no provision in the Income Tax Act by which gifts to the Trust were allowable deductions,

(iv) Department of Lands advising the Trust that the Minister had approved of a grant of £4000 for the carrying out of improvements as listed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/6/64 was discussed and commented on.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Crouch, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since June meeting to the value of £860.4.11 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1196.2.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Barrett reported that:-

(i) Messrs.Neeb and Martin had been in touch with him and would commence work quoted for by the 1st. September.

(ii) Mr.R.Kelly would commence work on summerhouses,etc. during the coming week;

(iii) Mr.T.Watson of Tooth's Brewery would make available twelve tubs for the planting of camellias,etc.

The President presented the Trust with several booklets, brochures,etc.as well as "The Fashionable Lady in the 19th.Century" which he purchased whilst abroad.

Mr.Lusher reported to the meeting that he had continued his efforts for obtaining a gun for Steel Pt. but had met with no success. Concerning the advertising in the M.S.B. R.S.L.Magazine, he had been informed that the reprinting had just beencompleted but, when the next reprint was due, the editor would contact him The President thanked Mr.Lusher for his efforts.

Mr.Yelland handed over the completed albums of photographs and the President, on behalf of the Trustees, conveyed thanks to Mr.Yelland for the valuable work done also to his secretary.

The President reported that:-

(i) The curtains and drapings for the Boys' Bedroom were being made and it was expected that these would be hung shortly. The room would then be complete.

(ii) He had purchased from London on behalf of the Trust a copy of Morris Bishop's "Petrarch and His World".

(iii) The western slope at Steel Pt.had now been thoroughly cleared and opened up.

(iv) (iv) Mr.Regan of the Forestry Commission would meet Messrs.Kiernan and Yelland during the week and make an inspection of Bottle and Glass to advise re further tree planting.

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OTHER MATTERS. (v) As an alderman had informed Mr.Crouch that, on a recent visit to Nielsen Park, he had noticed many harbecque fires as well as a person chopping down one of the trees, it had been arranged to employ one of the Nielsen Park employees on a Sunday during the winter months from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., to act as a ranger. He had also arranged with Irvine to stack wood at certain points with a sign notifying picnickers to use these and prohibiting damaging the trees in park. He had made arrangements with Mr.Rogers for intensified policing of the area at weekends.

(vi) The building of the boatshed and extensions to life-savers' quarters was being proceeded with and another carpenter would be engaged temporarily to enable these extensions to be completed before the swimming season.

(vii) A position had been suggested to erect ladies toilets at eastern end of beach and a report from T.Blom, drainer, was awaited.

(viii) The renovation of Drawing Room was well in progress and, when finished, the two bedrooms on the first floor might be the next project to be undertaken.

Mr.Crouch suggested that the Women's Weekly be contacted with a view to publicising the renovations of Vaucluse House. This would be done when drawing room was completed.

Mr.Parkes reported that, following his visit with the President to Nielsen Park, he had made another visit in company with Trust's carpenter. He summarised necessary work and would submit a written report for circulation. He advised consultation with the Government Architect in regard to kiosk at Nielsen Park. It was agreed that this be done and the matter was to be scheduled for discussion at the next meeting.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.30 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 9th.August,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.J.H.Rogers and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) It had been arranged that three piles instead of twc would be drilled into rock in the enclosure. The matter was being carefully watchex by the sub-committee.

(ii) In regard to the natural preservation scheme for the outskirts of Vaucluse Park, Mr.Watson was calling for quotes. It was left to the sub-committe to accept whichever quote was the most satisfactory. The Trustees thanked Mr.Crouch for his interest in this project and for obtaining the Council's co-operation.

(iii) Messrs.Neeb and Martin had begun painting the pavilions at Nielsen Park, on completion of which they will paint the cottage at Steel Pt. Arrangements had been made for the outside toilet to be demolished and placed inside cottage.

(iv) The Boys' Bedroom was now complete and the approximate cost of restoration was £130,excluding Trust's labour.

(v) Mr.Regan of the Forestry Commission had made an inspection pf the headlands at Vaucluse Pt. and had pointed out the areas for further tree planting. It was also suggested that further areas be selected for barbecues.

(vi) He was endeavouring to arrange for some loads of stone from th♦ demolition site of the Royal Exchange.

(vii) Mr.J.Andrew had quoted £65 for cement-rendering wall of boatshed. It was agreed that another quote from Concrete Services should be obtained.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Messrs.G.Ward in reply to President's letter. The account now due was £22.16.0.

(ii) Woollahra Municipal Council informing Trust that Council had agreed to co-operate with the Trust in regard to outskirts of Vaucluse Park and had voted £1000 as a contribution for the work.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/7/64 was discussed and commented on.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Miller, accounts paid since July meeting to the value of £1373.6.2 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £2101.0.10 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Miller informed the Trust that Mr.Stelling of Roseville had donated a harp believed to have belonged to Mrs.W.C.Wentworth. He suggested that perhaps Chapples might be able to identify the type of harp and advise whether it could be put into working order. He also informed the meeting that (1) he would make an appointment to inspect the wine cellars at Camden Park with a view to proceeding with equipping the cellar in Vaucluse House; (2) the Bursar from St.Patrick's College, Manly had inspected the carved sideboard ( in Guest Dining Room) which the Trust were considering disposing of and the President suggested that the Bursar be asked to make a formal request in writing. Mr.Lusher suggested that Max Lawson might be able to value this piece of furniture.

Mr.Crouch was of the opinion that the parking area in Greycliffe Avenue should receive some attention before the season opened. It was left to the President and Mr.Crouch to inspect this area in the company of the Council's Engineer in order to see what could be done to improve the condition of the park and arrangements for satisfactory parking.

Mr.Parkes' report on the condition of the kiosk at Nielsen Park was tabled. It was resolved that the report be adopted and that the matter be entrusted to Mr.Parkes for further consultation with the Government Architect.

Mr.Kiernan suggested that a chart which he had drawn showing sea temperatures be erected in the dressing sheds at Nielsen Park. This suggestion was agreed to.

The coloured folders had arrived from Nucolorvue Productions and were most satisfactory. They cost the Trust 1/2 each and would sell at 2/-. It was suggested that the firm be contacted to enquire whether the blocks of this folder could be borrowed for advertising purposes if desired.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.35 a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.September,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs.T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

Mr.C.Parkes (Counsellor) was also present.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.P.Lusher, G.Crouch and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) He had seen Mr.Halbert on the previous day and was pleased to inform the Trustees that he seemed a little better.

(ii) The piles had been erected at Nielsen Park and appeared satisfactory. Mr.Barrett had been in constant attendance to check the work being done by R.Jenkins and had found him very co-operative.

(iii) Work on the natural preservation scheme would commence on Monday, 14th.September. Letters had been written to residents informing them of the scheme and soliciting their co-operation particularly in preventing further dumping of rubbish.

(iv) Mr.Gately of Hooker Investments had kindly arranged for two loads of stone from the demolition site of the Royal Exchange to be delivered to Vaucluse House and had donated £25 to cover cost.

(v) As Concrete Services had not quoted for the cement-rendering of boatshed wall, J.Andrew had been asked to undertake the work at a cost of £65. It was hoped the work would be completed before the opening of the swimming season.

(vi) He and Mr.Crouch in the company of Council's Engineer had inspected the parking area in Greycliffe Avenue. The engineer arranged for some filling from excavations of Rose Bay roadway to be deposited on the area, then graded and rolled as a roadway.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Department of Tourist Activities in reference to the re-printing of Vaucluse House folder at a cost to the Trust of £100.13.0. On the motion of Mr.Kelly, seconded by Mr.Barrett, the quote was accepted.

(ii) Department of Lands acknowledging receipt of Annual Report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

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FINANCE.

(i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/8/64 was discussed and commented on.

(ii) On the motion of Mr.Rogers, seconded by Mr.Kelly, accounts paid since August meeting to the value of £2976.17.7 in the case of Nielsen Park andto £1665.8.8 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS.

The report of Mr.Parkes on Nielsen Park Kiosk was tabled. It was arranged that as soon as the lifesavers' area was completed, the Trust's carpenter would be available for minor necessary repairs to the kiosk.

The final account of Concrete Services showed an amount of £2431.14.8 after £1000 had been paid. Mr.Kiernan would check the account and it was decided to ask Mr.Parkes and a clerk of works from the Department of Public Works to measure the areas and check the account in conjunction with Mr.Kiernan and Mr.Neal from Concrete Services.

Mr.Miller informed the Trustees that he had examined both leases of Mr.McCole's as requested at the previous meeting. It seemed that both premises should be regarded as "prescribed premises". After discussion it was resolved that a sub-committee consisting of the President with Messrs.Barrett and Kiernan confer with Mr.McCole regarding further extension of both leases sought. The matter would then have to go before the Rent Control authorities.

Mr.Kiernan reported that he was endeavouring to arrange to have the gates giving access to Olola Avenue treated during the coming month, and that the painting of fences both at Nielsen and Vaucluse Parks was almost finished.

Mr.Miller told the meeting that he had made an inspection of the cellars at the House and would visit Camden Park at the earliest opportunity. He suggested that when the cellar was ready, the Trust might have a garden party and this was agreed to by the meeting.

The President reported on the following matters:-

(i) At Mr.Yelland's request he had written to the Director General of Education informing him of the excellent work done by the art teachers to the wall-paper in the Drawing Room and also to the artists themselves thanking them for their generosity and for the manner in which the work was carried out:

(ii) He had arranged with the Art Gallery for the loan of an appropriate statue of the early Victorian period for the hallway niche below the stairs:

0 (iii) The curtains for the drawing room were nearly ready and would probably be hung during the following week:

(iv) The Lifesavers' extensions were almost complete and the members had offered that, if the Trust would supply the paint, they would paint theinterior of the club rooms. The matter was entrusted to Mr.Kiernan who with Irvine, would inspect the work.

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OTHER MATTERS. Mr.Kiernan had been able to arrange for 200 tons of soil filling to be delivered to Vaucluse House and 80 tons to Nielsen Park at a cost of only 8/- per ton.

(vi) When work on the outer parks was completed rustic seats made by Trust's carpenter would be placed in the parks.

(vii) Because of increased pressure of work, the Secretary had requested some assistance in the office. He had agreed that an assistant be engaged for one day a week in addition to Mrs.Bickell, who is already engaged one day a week during the swimming season. This arrangement could be reviewed from time to time as necessary.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.15. a.m.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 11th.October,1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
J.H.Rogers,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
H,Yelland,
G.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.H.J.Halbert and C.Parkes.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The following officers were unanimously elected to hold office for the ensuing twelve months:-

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| President. | Mr.H.A.Snelling, |
| Vice-President. | Mr.J.A.Kelly, |
| Treasurer. | Mr.J.R.Barrett. |

The President introduced Superintendent J.Wright who is replacing Superintendent Rogers as Trustee. As Mr.Rogers is about to retire from the Police Force, this was the last meeting he attended in the capacity of trustee. The President moved that the Trustees' gratitude for Mr.Rogers' generous co-operation and wise counsel during his term of office be placed on record. This was unanimously approved. In wishing Superintendent Rogers a long and happy retirement, he asked whether it would be possible for Mr.Rogers to act as counsellor to the Trust. In reply, Mr.Rogers stated that his association with the Trustees had been one of great pleasure and he would be happy to act as Counsellor as long as he was in a position to do so, providing that he be free to withdraw if it became impracticable for him to continue to serve.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) The natural preservation scheme was well under way and the residents of Olola Avenue in general seemed very pleased:-

(ii) No word had been received yet from Concrete Services regarding final details of their account but he expected to hear during the coming week:-

(iii) One load of stone had arrived from the demolition site of the Royal Exchange and three more loads were expected.

(iv) The statue "Narcissus" had been delivered on loan from the Art Gallery and had been placed at the foot of stairs:

(v) The curtains had been hung in Drawing Room and the restorations were practically completed.

(vi) The lifesavers' extensions were complete and would be handed over formally after this meeting.



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CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Deputy Commissioner of Police acknowledging Trust's letter of thanks for Band Recital.

(ii) Mr.H.Evans forwarding donation of £50 towards natural preservation scheme.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30/9/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since September meeting to the value of £2069.16.6 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1737.16.11 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:-

(I) He had discussed with the manager of the Rural Bank, Mr.Smith, the cashing of Fixed Deposit in view of the heavy expenses incurred recently and requested ab overdraft of possibly £3,500 to enable accounts to be met. The manager had acceded to his request. He, the President, felt the Trust should watch the next few months closely and exercise economy, for the present.

(ii) He had paid a visit to Stony Range Flora Reserve, Dee Why and had formed freindly liason with the trustees.

(iii) Whilst in Melbourne recently he had made an inspection of "Como" and had established friendly relations with the Chairman of its committee.

(iv) As the Drawing Room was practically complete a date be fixed for a buffet cocktail party to which invitations might be issued to aldermen of the Woollahra Municipal Council and their wives. Mr.Yelland suggested that the artists who contributed so much to the restoration of the wallpaper be also invited. This was agreed to and 18th.November was suggested.

(v) The Police Pipe Band would play this coming Sunday 18th.October, it was arranged that they play from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Mr.Kiernan informed the meeting that he had invited Mr.Sorenson of Leura to make a further inspection of trees at Vaucluse Park and also to suggest a suitable area for the planting of rhododendrons.

Mr.Lusher asked whether a list of employees and wages might be presented to the Trustees.

A suggestion for consideration of increase of prices of admission to Nielsen Park enclosure was discussed and was held over until the next meeting for further discussion.

Mr.Yelland had, at the President's request, inspected the chandeliers at Mark Foys and had ascertained that the two chandeliers could be purchased for £110 each instead of the normal price of £140. It was agreed that Mr,Stanley Lipscombe be consulted as to their suitability of the period,etc.

MEETING CLOSED. The meeting closed at 11.40 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 8th.November,1964.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
J.R.Barrett,
P.Lusher,
H.Yelland,
G.A.Kiernan,
J.Wright,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.G.Crouch,C.Parkes and H.J.Halbert.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) He, together with Mr.Kiernan, had interviewed the representative of Concrete Services and checked all items on their account. With the exception of one or two items to be checked, the account was correct and the balance owing was in the vicinity of £900.

(ii) Mr.Stanley Lipscombe was of the opinion that the chandeliers at Mark Foys were not appropriate for the period for which they were required and that he would be on the look out for something more suitable.

(iii) The reception in the Drawing Room would take place on Wednesday, 18th.November. The Aldermen of the Woollahra Municipal Council and their wives, as well as the artists who had handpainted the wallpaper of this room, had been invited.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were redeived from the following:-

(i) Department of Lands announcing the appointment of Mr.J.Wright replacing Mr.J.Rogers,retired.

(ii) Auditor-General forwarding Report and Balance Sheet.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was received and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 31/10/64 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since October meeting to the value of £2981.14.3 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £2141.6.3 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on themotion of Mr.Kiernan, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. It was suggested that the President write to Mr.J.H.Rogers on behalf of the Trustees congratulating him on his new position and offering him their best wishes.

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OTHER MATTERS.

Mr.Barrett informed the Trustees that Mr.Stanton of Nicholson Brothers had told him that, during the swimming season, their company transported on an average of 350 children, and that it might be a good proposition at, say £3 per day, to bring the children to Nielsen Park. The matter was left in the hands of Mr.Barrett. Mr.Barrett also raised the question whether the staff should commence at 8 a.m. instead of 7 a.m. It was agreed that the Trustees would give consideration to this suggestion.

Mr.Yelland reported on the proposed booklet by Mrs.Graham and thought that, if published, the Trust could sell some copies from Vaucluse House. Negotiations with Mrs.Graham were entrusted to Mr.Yelland.

Mr.Wright suggested that a dramatic presentation based on the life of W.C.Wentworth might be staged at Vaucluse House. This was left in the hands of Mr.Wright for further consideration.

Mr.Kiernan reported (1) that during the past week three youths had been arrested for stealing Trust's boat; (2) Mr.Burnett promised to return the Olola Avenue gates reconditioned within the next few weeks. He suggested that later on a sherry party be given to the benefactors of the Trust, such as Mr.Munro of Rheems, Mr.Benning of the Gas Company, etc. and the residents who had given donations for various works.

Further discussion took place regarding charges at Nielsen Park and it was resolved that charges be reviewed for all facilities in March,1965.

The President thanked Mr.Yelland for arranging the case with the papers concerning W.C.Wentworth's funeral and for making the identification board for the Morning Room.

On the motion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Miller, it was agreed that radio advertising should continue for the present.

The President reported that:-

(i) He had written to Mr.M.Watson of Wentworth Road in reference to nuisances committed by his dogs. Despite this letter, the dogs were still allowed in the parks. He had again written to Mr.Watson, informing him that the matter would now go before the Trustees. Mr.Watson had since given assurances regarding the dogs and it was resolved that no action be taken at present.

(ii) The rail had been erected at the cellar but further repairs in the cellar were necessary. Possibly, these would be attended to during the coming month.

(iii) A sub-committee had discussed with Mr.MdCole the renewal of his leases as requested at the last meeting. Eighteen months of the present lease remain before the date of expiry. It was recommended that the rentals be increased, as from 1st.December. 1964 to £22 for Nielsen Park and to £3 for V'cluse kiosk, the balanceof lease be cancelled and the new lease with increase be issued for five years as from 1st.December,1964.On themotion of Mr.Barrett, seconded by Mr.Miller, the arrangements were agreed to, a clause to be inserted that,if the Trust decided to rebuild kiosk at Nielsen either party be at liberty to cancel the lease.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11/30 a.m.

CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....

# NIELSEN-VAUCLUSE PARK TRUST.

Minutes of Meeting held at Vaucluse House on Sunday, 13th.December, 1964 at 10 a.m.

PRESENT. Messrs.H.A.Snelling (In the Chair),
J.A.Kelly,
E.S.Miller,
P.Lusher,
G.Crouch,
G.A.Kiernan,
Mrs. T.E.Schmude (Secretary)

APOLOGIES. Apologies were received from Messrs.Barrett,Yelland, Halbert and Parkes.

MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES. The President reported that:-

(i) A further amount of £800 had been paid to the Concrete Services, leaving a debit balance of at least £150. As soon as the item outstanding was adjusted, the balance would be paid.

(ii) The reception in Drawing Room on 18th.November apparently was a great success. Many letters of appreciation from the aldermen and artists had been received. He had conveyed their appreciation to the caterer, Mr.McCole.

(iii) He had written to the Crown Solicitor asking that new leases be prepared for Mr.McCole.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters were received from the following:-

(i) Mr.Vella, Secretary of the Nielsen Park Lifesaving Club regarding the expulsion of three members of their club and the President's reply thereto.

(ii) Lands Department enclosing cheque for £4,875 being balance of subsidy.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The Secretary's Report was redeived and discussed.

FINANCE. (i) Statement showing financial position of the Trust as at close of business on 30th.November,1964 was discussed and noted.

(ii) Accounts paid since November meeting to the value of £1890.7.1 in the case of Nielsen Park and to £1301.6.6 in the case of Vaucluse Section were confirmed on the motion of Mr.Miller, seconded by Mr.Kelly.

OTHER MATTERS. The President reported that:-

(i) Mr.Yelland had spent most of his liesure time making identification boards for the various restored rooms. These had aroused much interest and the Trustees were indebted to Mr/Yelland .

(11) Space behind broom room had been opened up and made into a Record Room. Work on this room would be completed within the next few weeks.
Mr.Lusher raised the question of fire risk in this room and the matter was left in the hands of Mr.Lusher for investigation.

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OTHER MATTERS.

(iii) Some weeks prior to receipt of subsidy,he had contacted the manager of the Rural Bank about an overdraft. This had been granted. Balance of subsidy, £4875, had now been received. Of this, only £540remained and there were still some outstanding accounts. As he had to go overseas for two months at the end of January he suggested that a meeting be held in January. He had several proposals in mind regarding finance and would put these before the next meeting.

(iv) On behalf of all the Trustees, he offered Mr.Crouch congratulations on his election as Mayor of Woollahra Municipal Council. He added that it was a great honour for the Trust to have the Mayor as one of the Trustees.

(v) The Trust's stonemason had repaired three barbecue fireplaces on the Bottle and Glass headland, erected three more and had still two to erect.

(vi) He had entertained certain members of Stony Range Flora Reserve and, after making an inspection of the area, his guests promised the Trust whatever native plants were available in their reserve for planting at Vaucluse Park.

(vii) Alderman Herford had kindly donated a fender (complete with fire irons ) and this would be placed in Miss Wentworth's Room.

(viii) A No.2 Account for the Natural Preservation Scheme had been established ( being a joint project with Woollahra Council).

Mr.Kiernan reported that he had discussed with the foreman of Nielsen Park the question of the staff commencing work at 8 a.m. The foreman had pointed out that since the park had to be cleaned for weekday picnics during the swimming season, a change in hours would be impracticable. On the motion of Mr.Lusher, seconded by Mr.Kiernan, it was moved that the hours of employment be left as they are at present.

MEETING CLOSED.

The meeting closed at 11.15 a.m. after the President had conveyed Christmas and New Year greetings to the Trustees and the Counsellors.



CHAIRMAN.....SECRETARY.....